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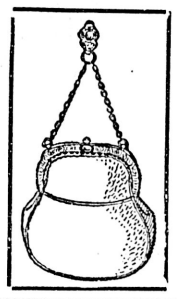

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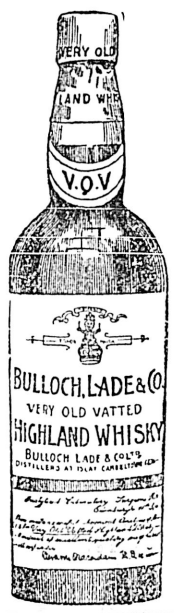

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Recruits Go East

Coast Quota of Contingent For South Africa Leaves on C. P. R.

Miss Middlemass, Vancouver Trained Nurse Found Dead in Her Bed.

C. N. Marpole and Miss Edmonds Married at Christ Church.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—The Vancouver and Victoria contingent proceeding to South Africa were followed to the train today by a great crowd of people, and on no occasion has there been so much enthusiasm at the departure of volunteers for South Africa. The boys were given three rousing cheers as the train moved away.

Miss Lillie Middlemass, a trained nurse, was found dead in bed fully dressed, at the residence of her sister, Mrs. Young, today. A small bottle that had contained morphine, was found near her bed, but she had been accustomed to taking morphine for rheumatism, and it is not believed that her death was caused by an overdose. Doctors pronounce death due to heart failure caused by rheumatism affecting vital parts.

The contract has been let for the new C. P. R. hotel in Vancouver, Messrs. Robertson and Hackett of Vancouver being the successful tenderers. The entire building will be re-constructed excepting the northern wing. F. M. Rattenbury, Victoria, supplied the plans.

At Christ church this morning Miss Mary Gifford Edmonds, daughter of the late Henry V. Edmonds, and Mr. C. N. Marpole, son of Superintendent Marpole, of the C. P. R., were united in marriage. The bridesmaid was Miss Ida Cambie, and W. F. Salsbury, jr., assisted the groom. Miss Edmonds was given away by her brother, Mr. H. L. Edmonds, of Westminster. The bride looked charming in a traveling costume of light brown cheviot cloth. The happy couple started on their honeymoon trip in Mr. Marpole's private car attached to the Seattle train.

THE WAR OFFICE APPROVES CHANGE

Second Canadian Mounted Rifles the Name of the New Contingent.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—A cable from the War Office today approves of the new contingent being designated "Second Canadian Mounted Rifles." The government is still awaiting approval of the list of officers cabled to England last Saturday. Pending its receipt, the following officers have been detailed to proceed to Halifax with the contingent on troop trains:

Superintendent Primrose, N.W.M.P., Lethbridge; Capt. Elmsley, R. C. D., Toronto; Lieut. J. E. Leckie, Fort Steele, B. C.; Capt. P. E. Thacker, R. C. R., Quebec; Major McDonald, 37th Regiment, Dunnerville, Ontario; Lieut. Clarkson, R. C. R., Kingston; Lieut. Markham, St. John, N. B., Lieut. T. Callaghan, Maple Creek; Lieut. Homer Dixon, R. C. R., Halifax. Another officer who will receive a subaltern's commission is Lieut. A. H. Gault, of the 5th Royal Scots, Montreal. Today's telegrams to Col. Evans indicate there has been a wonderful response to the call for men.

The War Office has asked Hon. Dr. Borden to contract for six transport wagons and 12 more horses. Term of service for one year, or until the termination of the war, is approved. Arms for the regiment will be furnished the men on their arrival at Capetown. One troop will be constituted a scouting company, with one pack horse for each four men.

The despatch from Melbourne stating that the government of the commonwealth had received an invitation from Sir Wilfrid Laurier to attend a conference of representatives of the colonies at London next June, confirms the statement made by your correspondent recently, that it was the intention of the government of Canada to make overtures to the government of Australia. New Zealand is also asked to join the conference.

The population of Montreal is stated by the census department to be 267,730. The first bulletin was 266,820.

GREENWAY LEADER.

Provincial Liberal Convention of Manitoba Meets at Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—At the provincial Liberal convention this afternoon there was a very large attendance, many being unable to gain entrance to the hall. A resolution endorsing ex-Premier Greenway as leader of the party in Manitoba was spoken to by Senator Watson, T. C. Norris, Isaac Campbell and other prominent Liberals. Mr. Greenway replied at length and accepted the leadership, but warned the party that he was not as active as in former years, having stood 22 years of hard fighting in politics. The announcement of Mr. Greenway's acceptance was received with loud applause. This evening the convention was addressed by Hon. Mr. Sifton, A. C. Fraser and others.

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COAL FAMINE.

Shortage of Cars and Congestion of Traffic Hindering Smelting.

Toronto, Dec. 11.—Owing to shortage of cars and congestion of traffic at Pittsburg and Buffalo, there is a soft coal and coke famine in Ontario. One foundry in Hamilton has been compelled to close down. Toronto manufacturers will be able to keep open, as a supply of hard coal is obtainable.

LIPTON'S CHRISTMAS GIFT.

Punch Bowl and Tray Being Sent by New York Friends.

New York, Dec. 11.—The guests who were entertained by Sir Thomas Lipton on the yacht Erin are sending him a punch bowl and tray as a Christmas present. The bowl is of silver, about 20 inches in diameter, with a heavy rococo border, two inches deep, running into its fluted panel sides. The tray is 25 inches in diameter and similar in design to the bowl.

CHINESE HONORS.

Edict Confers Two-Eyed Peacock Feather on Yung Lu.

Pekin, Dec. 11.—An edict has appeared bestowing honors on the late Li Hung Chang and on Prince Ching, and other officials, for participating in the peace negotiations. The most remarkable cause awards Yung Lu, who commanded the best disciplined troops which opposed the allies, the two-eyed peacock feather, for protecting foreigners against the Boxers.

Writs Have Been Issued

Two Claims of Twenty Thousand Each Against the White Pass Co.

Because of Railway's Failure to Have the Rates Approved.

The writs which as published exclusively in the Colonist last week, it was arranged to issue against the British Yukon company, otherwise the White Pass & Yukon route, to test the legal standing of the shippers of goods and passengers who have paid fares on the road, yesterday morning passed through the office of the registrar of the Supreme court here and were served on the Victoria representative of the company. Two writs were issued, one by the Upper Yukon Consolidated company and the other by Mr. John Clearihue of this city. In each $20,000 is claimed. The grounds as stated in these columns last week are that the freight and passenger rates were never approved by the Governor-General-in-Council, as required by the Dominion Railway act; that the passenger rates were extortionate, being about 20 cents per mile; that the freight rates were also extortionate, and that the company had given secret rebates to competitors of the claimants, whereby the latter incurred serious loss. They rely upon section 290 of the Canadian Railway act, which reads: "Every person from whom any company exacts any unjust or extortionate toll rate or charge shall in addition to the amount so unjustly exacted be entitled to recover from the company as damages an amount equal to three times the amount so unjustly exacted."

The cases commenced yesterday are in the nature of test cases, and if they result favorably to the claimants thousands of similar actions will be taken involving millions of dollars.

Messrs. Higgins & Elliott are acting for the claimants.

SCHOOL TEACHERS' UNION.

Federation of Labor Congress Recommends Efforts to Unite Pedagogues.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 11.—Business closely relating to the organization of labor in those fields where there is no union and strengthening of the hands of those who have embraced unionism, took up most of the time of today's session of the American Federation of Labor. Thirty odd resolutions were considered upon eight of which final action was taken.

Among the resolutions adopted were those: Requesting terra cotta pressers and finishers unions to affiliate with the International Brick, Tile and Terra-cotta workers' Alliance, or have their charters revoked by the federation; recommending that the federation make an effort during the coming year to organize the school teachers of this country; authorizing the federation to send deputies to national and international organizations, particularly those of railway employees; endorsing the label of the International Wood Carvers' Association and instructing the executive council to use every effort to secure the passage of a national law protecting and legalizing union labels.

The Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paper-hangers of America presented several resolutions through Delegate Wm. H. Bell, of Omaha, which were adopted at the brotherhood's national convention at Detroit on Monday. One of the resolutions calls on the American Federation of Labor to compel unions in New York city affiliated with the federation to recognize the brotherhood cards. The brotherhood resolutions say that if the federation does not comply with the request, the brotherhood members will take a referendum vote as to whether the brotherhood should or should not secede from the federation. An adjournment had to be taken early in the afternoon session to enable the committees to consider business which will come before the convention later.

CAPT. CARRUTHERS MARRIED.

Takes a Wife Before he Starts For the War.

Kingston, Ont., Dec. 11.—Capt. W. B. Carruthers, who has accepted a commission in the Third Contingent, was married this afternoon to Miss Ella Macpherson. They will spend the honeymoon in Halifax.

HEART FAILURE.

Rev. Job Shenton Drops Dead at Dinner Table.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 11.—Rev. Job Shenton, pastor of Fairville Methodist church, dropped dead today of heart failure, as he sat at the dinner table with his wife.

BRAKEMAN KILLED.

Drummondville, Que., Dec. 11.—Raoul Houte, an I.C.R. brakeman, was killed while coupling cars here last night.

For And Against

Discussion of Proposed Hay-Pauncefote Treaty By U. S. Senate.

Mr. Bacon Contends it Does Not Give His Country Full Control.

Senator Cullom Claims Canal Could Be Closed During War If Desired.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—Two speeches on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty were made in the executive session of the United States Senate today, one by Senator Bacon in opposition to the treaty, and the other by Senator Cullom, the prospective chairman of the committee on foreign relations, in support of it.

Mr. Bacon replied to the speech made yesterday by Senator Lodge. He summed up his objections in the statement that he could not freely accept any treaty which does not place the Isthmian canal entirely under United States auspices and United States control. This he said, the pending treaty does not do, nor does it do anything like it. It did not by long odds accomplish what had been accepted by the Senate amendments made to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty at the last session of Congress. The Davis amendment, he said, had abrogated all the objectionable provisions of the treaty as negotiated, and it did not matter what provisions there were in the agreement so long as the United States were authorized as they were by the principal Davis amendment to procure the maintenance of the canal by their own force.

"The only reply," he said, "that the advocates of the treaty make to criticism is that the canal would be under the full control of the United States in time of war; but this is no more true now than under the old treaty."

He contended that the only power given to the United States, which was not given to Great Britain was found in the last sentence of regulation two, providing that "The United States shall be at liberty to maintain such military police along the canal as may be necessary to protect it against lawlessness and disorder."

This, he said, was not sufficient to make the canal a United States institution, and if the Davis amendment had been necessary to render the original treaty acceptable it was equally necessary in this instance.

In conclusion Mr. Bacon announced that while he had no intention of voting for the treaty, he would do nothing to obstruct its ratification.

Senator Cullom congratulated the Senate and the country upon the fact that there are two things in connection with the new treaty, upon which, he said, practically all are agreed. One of these was the desirability of suppression of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and the other that of the necessity for the construction of an Isthmian canal.

He contended that the new treaty practically changes the conditions presented by the first Hay-Pauncefote treaty, clearly relieving it of the necessity of such an amendment as that made to the old treaty upon the suggestion of Senator Davis, because the treaty itself will permit the United States under international law, to own, manage and defend the canal in any way that it may choose.

"In other words," he added, "in a war with Great Britain or with any other power the treaty would be suspended under the law which governs nations until the war should be concluded, when it would be revived and again enforced."

He admitted that the new treaty retains the general principle of neutralization as did the original Hay-Pauncefote treaty, but he urged that it does not re-enact, or keep alive any of the provisions of the treaty of 1850. While it retains the doctrines of neutralization, the provision making that retention, applies, the senator contended, to all nations alike, but to none of them for any longer time than they observe the regulations prescribed by the United States. When they should fail in this observance we could close the canal under the terms of the treaty. All nations would be treated on terms of fairness and equality by allowing all to use the canal in time of peace and shutting out all in time of war in case it should be found desirable to do so.

ARE AGAINST AMALGAMATION

Men Working in Alexandria Mine Are Opposed to Nanaimo Decision.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Dec. 11.—The closing of the Alexandria mine has apparently had the effect of causing the men employed to look upon the question from other than one standpoint. When the deputation waited upon Mr. Paulds yesterday, it is understood, he gave them to believe that the mine was closed on account of the closing of the mine on Saturday by the men to attend a mass meeting. A meeting of the men held afterwards resulted, it is said, in wide difference of opinion being expressed. Many of the men, including those who lived at Ladysmith, thought the closing by the men had been high-handed; and considering that they had not been fairly represented at the mass meeting at Nanaimo, they declared themselves against amalgamation by a vote of 48 to 28. There is talk of the Ladysmith men forming themselves into a separate organization from the unions at Extension and Alexandria, to which they now belong.

VANCOUVER BAZAAR.

Formally Opened by Mayor Townley in Theatre Royal.

Vancouver, Dec. 11.—(Special)—The big Catholic bazaar, which is to run for the rest of the week in the Theatre Royal, was formally opened yesterday by Mayor Townley. The interior decorations in the Theatre Royal are very handsome and the display of pretty and useful articles for sale is very large, showing the good taste and artistic merit of those who have contributed.

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The Manitoba Liquor Act

Full Text of the Judgment Delivered By Privy Council.

Grounds Upon Which the Province Was Found to Have Jurisdicton.

Following is the full text of the judgment of the judicial committee of the privy council in the Manitoba Liquor Act appeal case. Judgment was delivered by Lord Macnaghten and concurred in by Lords Hobhouse, Davey, Robertson and Lindley:

"In July, 1900, an Act was passed by the legislature of Manitoba for the suppression of the liquor traffic in that province. The act, which was known by its short title of "The Liquor Act," was to have come into operation on June 1, 1901. Before that date, on a reference under chapter 28 of the revised statutes of Manitoba, the Court of King's Bench pronounced the whole act to be unconstitutional. From that decision the present appeal had been brought. Although the questions submitted to the Court of King's Bench were eleven in number, the only one considered in the court below and argued before that board was the first: "Had the legislative assembly of Manitoba jurisdiction to enact The Liquor Act, and, if not, in what particular or respect has it exceeded its power?" To that the answer given was, "It exceeded its powers in enacting The Liquor Act as a whole." The other questions were either of an academical character or such as could be material only in the event of the act being declared partly and not wholly unconstitutional. No answer that could be given to any of those questions would be of any practical value. Their lordships, therefore, would confine their attention to the subject to which the judgment of the Court of King's Bench and the arguments at the bar were addressed.

The question at issue depended on the meaning and effect of those sections in the British North America Act, 1867, which provides for the distribution of legislative powers between the Dominion and the provinces. The subject had been discussed before the board very frequently and very fully. Mindful of advice often quoted, but not perhaps always followed, their lordships did not propose to travel beyond the particular case before them. The drink question, to use a common expression which was convenient, if not altogether accurate, was not to be found specifically mentioned either in the classes of subjects enumerated in section 91, and assigned to the legislature of the Dominion, or in those enumerated in section 92 and thereby appropriated to the provincial legislatures. The omission was probably not accidental. The result had been somewhat remarkable. On the one hand, according to "Russell vs. Reg." (7 app. Cas., 829), it was competent for the Dominion legislature to pass an act for the suppression of intemperance applicable to all parts of the Dominion, and when duly brought into operation in any particular district deriving its efficacy from the general authority vested in the Dominion parliament to make laws for the peace, order and good government of Canada.

On the other hand, according to the decision in "Attorney-General for Ontario vs. Attorney-General for Dominion" (1896, A. C. 348), it was not incompetent for the provincial legislature to pass a measure for the repression or even for the total abolition of the liquor traffic within the province, provided the subject was dealt with as a matter "of merely local nature" in the province, and the act itself was not repugnant to any act of the parliament of Canada. In delivering judgment of the board in the case of the "Attorney-General for Ontario vs. Attorney-General for the Dominion" Lord Watson expressed a decided opinion that provincial legislation for the suppression of the liquor traffic could not be supported under either No. 8 or No. 9 of section 92. His Lordship observed that the only enactments of that section which appeared to have any relation to such legislation were to be found in Nos. 13 and 16, which assigned to the exclusive jurisdiction of the provincial legislatures (1) "Property and civil rights in the province," and (2) "Generally all matters of a merely local or private nature in the province." He added that it was not necessary for the purpose of that appeal to determine whether such legislation was authorized by one or by the other of those heads. Although that particular question was thus left apparently undecided, a careful perusal of the judgment led to the conclusion that in the opinion of the board the case fell under No. 16 rather than under No. 13, and that seemed to their lordships to be the better opinion. In legislating for the suppression of the liquor traffic, the object in view was the abatement or prevention of a local evil rather than the regulation of property and civil rights, though of course no such legislation could be carried into effect without interfering more or less with "property and civil rights" in the province. Indeed, if the case were to be regarded as dealing with matters within the class of subjects enumerated in No. 13, it might be questionable whether the Dominion legislature could have authority to interfere with the exclusive jurisdiction of the province in the matter. The controversy, therefore, seemed to be narrowed to this one point: Is the subject of the Liquor Act a matter "of a merely local nature in the province" of Manitoba, and does the Liquor Act deal with it as such? The judgment of the board in the case of Attorney-General for Ontario vs. Attorney-General for the Dominion had relieved the case from some, if not all, of the difficulties which appeared to have presented themselves to the learned judges of the Court of King's Bench. The board held that the provincial legislature had jurisdiction to restrict the sale within the province of intoxicating liquors so long as its legislation did not conflict with any legislative provision which might be competently made by the parliament of Canada, and which might be in force within the province or any district thereof. It held, further, that there might be circumstances in which the provincial legislature might have jurisdiction to prohibit the manufacture within the province of intoxicating liquors and importation of such liquors into the province. For the purpose of the present question it was immaterial to inquire what those circumstances might be. The judgment, therefore, as it stood, and the report to Her late Majesty, consequent thereon, showed that in the opinion of that tribunal matters which were "substantially of local or of private interest" in the province, matters which were of local or private, "from a provincial point of view," to use the expressions to be found in the judgment—were not excluded from the category of "matters of merely local or private nature," because the legislation dealing with them, however carefully it might be framed, might or must have an effect outside the limits of the province, and might or must interfere with sources of Dominion revenue and industrial pursuits of persons licensed under the Dominion statutes to carry on particular trades. The Liquor Act proceeded upon the recital that "it is expedient to SUPPRESS THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC in Manitoba by prohibiting provincial transactions in liquor"; that was the declared object of the legislature set out at the commencement of the act. Towards the end of the act there occurred this section: "119—While this act is intended to prohibit and shall prohibit transactions in liquor which take place wholly within the province of Manitoba, except under license or as otherwise specially provided by this act, and restrict the consumption of liquor within the limits of the province of Manitoba, it shall not affect bona fide transactions in liquor between a person in the province of Manitoba and a person in another province or in a foreign country, and provisions of this act shall be construed accordingly."

Now that provision was as much part of the act as any other section contained in it. It must have its full effect in exempting from the operation of the act all bona fide transactions in liquor which came within its terms. It was not necessary to go through the provisions of the act. It was enough to say that they WERE EXTREMELY STRINGENT—more stringent probably than anything that was to be found in any legislation of a similar kind. Unless the act became a dead letter it must interfere with the revenue of the Dominion with licensed traders in the province of Manitoba and indirectly at least with business operations beyond the limits of the province. That seemed clear. And that was substantially the ground on which the court of King's Bench had declared the act unconstitutional; but all objections on that score were, in their lordships' opinion, removed by the judgment of the board in the case of "Attorney-General for Ontario v. Attorney-General for the Dominion. Having attentively considered the very able and elaborate judgments of Chief Justice Killam and Mr. Justice Bain in which Mr. Justice Richards concurred, and the arguments of counsel in support of their view, their lordships were not satisfied that the legislature of Manitoba had transgressed the limits of its jurisdiction in passing the Liquor Act. Their lordships would therefore humbly advise His Majesty that the judgment of the court of King's Bench of the province of Manitoba, dated February 23, 1901, ought to be discharged, and that in lieu thereof there ought to be substituted the following answers to the 11 questions submitted to it.

(1). In answer to the first question—That the legislative assembly of Manitoba had jurisdiction to enact the Liquor Act.

(2). In answer to the questions numbered 2 to 11, both inclusive—That no useful answer could be given to those questions. There would be no costs of appeal.

TELLING FIGURES.

U. S. Exports in Iron and Steel Goods Far Behind Great Britain.

From London Daily Graphic.

The week's issue of "Commercial Intelligence" contains an article on American competition in the iron and steel trades which the professional pessimist will read with much discomfort. The method of the article is simple in the and steel goods are taken in detail, and compared, as far as possible, with the corresponding exports of American goods. The results are striking. Take, first, the question of locomotives, which Hamilton. So far from the Americans beating us, it appears that during the the American export of locomotives was steam engine and of machinery, it will be found that the American total was only £6,046,000, against a British total of £13,102,000. The same general com- £1,709,000, against a British export of £2,159,000. Finally, if we take the totals of all iron and steel goods of every description we find that the Amer- £13,869,000, against a total British export of £35,866,000. These figures hardly look as if Brother Johnathan the field, or even to catch him up sufficiently.

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Montreal, Dec. 11.—An important meeting of the Dominion Iron & Steel company's directors was held here today. At the close it was announced that James Ross hereafter would take a more active part in the management of the company, practically replacing H. M. Whitney in the financial management, as he did a short time ago in the management of the Dominion Coal company. Mr. Ross announced that he had just returned from a trip to the leading steel manufacturing centres of the United States, and felt that nothing could prevent the Dominion Steel company from commanding the situation, both in pig iron and steel, on the American continent.

He also announced that the manufacture of steel would begin early next month, and that the output had been sold in advance at remunerative prices. Messrs. Ross, Cox and other Canadian shareholders have largely increased their holdings recently and the company is becoming Canadian in ownership as well as location.

FULTON RAISED.

U. S. Submarine Boat Raised from the Mud.

New York, Dec. 11.—The submarine torpedo boat Fulton, which sank at her dock at New Suffolk, L. I., on Monday, was raised today. The only damage done the boat was by the water that poured into her through the open forward hatch. Her bottom was not damaged.

DUKE OF NEWCASTLE.

Coming to Pacific Coast in Search of Health.

Montreal, Dec. 11.—The Duke of Newcastle, son of the Duke who accompanied the Prince of Wales to Montreal in 1861, passed through the city this evening en route to the Pacific Coast. He is in poor health and will spend three weeks in Banff and some time in British Columbia.

CAPTURE OF BOERS.

General Bruce Hamilton Gathers in a Whole Commando.

London, Dec. 11.—Lord Kitchener in a despatch from Standerton, Transvaal Colony, dated Tuesday, December 10, announces that General Bruce Hamilton, after a night march surprised and captured practically the whole of the Boer Bethel commando at Trichards Fontein early that morning. Seven Boers were killed and 131 made prisoners.

MURDERS OF NATIVES.

Lord Kitchener Gives Many Instances of Boer Brutality.

London, Dec. 11.—Lord Kitchener's promised statement specifying 37 separate instances in which natives have been shot by the Boers and which involved the taking of 84 lives, was issued by the War Office tonight. In some of the cases mentioned the blacks were shot after an informal court martial or upon being accused of spying, but in numerous instances, Lord Kitchener indicates, the natives were shot in cold blood in order to hide traces of movements of Boer commandoes. The period covered by Lord Kitchener's statement is over one year.

DOWIE IN TROUBLE.

Suit For Swindling Brought by Brother-in-Law.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Proceedings in the suit brought against "Dr." John Alexander Dowie, head of the Christian Catholic church and the self-styled "Elijah II." to force a receivership for his Zion lace industries, were begun in court today.

A bill of complaint filed by Dowie's brother-in-law, Samuel Stevenson, was read in Judge Tuley's court today, charging Dowie with defrauding him of $185,000. According to the bill Dowie approached Stevenson in Boston, England, and persuaded him to relinquish a lace business, earning $20,000 yearly income and Stevenson relates that he married Dowie's sister and gave her a wedding dower of $50,000, which was to be returned to him in the form of stock in the Zion lace industry. The plaintiff said it was his belief that he was Dowie's co-partner, and that Dowie, by fraud, had secured his name to a paper giving Dowie all right in the company. Stevenson charged Dowie, that on the night of August 8, 1901, changed papers on him when he supposed he was signing joint partnership agreements.

"Dr." Dowie, through Attorney S. W. Packard, entered a general denial to all the charges.

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CAUGHT TURNIP ON A FORK.

Londoner's Daring Feat Surprises Chicagoans.

John Bedini, of London, England, holding an ordinary carving fork in his mouth, caught a turnip hurled from the summit of the Masonic Temple at Chicago, a few days ago, impaling the vegetable squarely upon the tines of the fork, and thereby unsetting all the old ideas of gravitation and the force of falling bodies.

An immense crowd watched the feat, which took place at 12:45 o'clock on the State street side of the building. Cars were blocked, and a squad of police worked hard to keep back the people. Bedini, a tall, well-knit Londoner, 27 years old, stood watching the building without the least sign of nervousness, while his official turnip-hurler, Arthur Shaw, was going up an elevator shaft. Shaw poked his head out of the tiny window under the highest angle of the roof, at the southwest corner of the building. Meanwhile Bedini had donned a head-dress like that of a cannibal king, with a spike on top, and then put the fork, a wooden-handled affair about a foot long, between his teeth. Then he sauntered calmly up under the lee of the building.

After one turnip had been thrown and lost, and another, which was caught on the spike on Bedini's head, he called for a third turnip, and it came, whizzing fairly straight, and stung like a sledgehammer dropped off a mountain. Bedini danced under, judged the fall to a dot, thrust out the fork, and took the terrible shock unflinchingly. His lips bled and he went tumbling backwards, but he clung to the fork with set teeth, and there on the tines of the fork was the turnip snugly nailed.

The Londoner was given a tremendous ovation by the crowd, and sundry scientific gentlemen went forth, averring that the laws of nature had been spoiled.

Mr. Ross persists in keeping silent on the subject of prohibition, and the Globe endorses his course by imitating his example. —Hamilton Herald.

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GRAND TRUNK.

Two of the Subordinate Lines Amalgamated.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 11.—Articles of incorporation have been filed in the office of the Secretary of State for the Grand Trunk Western railway company. The principal place of business is given as Detroit, Mich. The directors are C. M. Hays, E. W. Meddaugh, C. Percy, F. H. McGugan, J. H. Muir and F. W. Cotter. The capital stock is $6,000,000. The articles show that the Port Huron & Indiana railway and the Indiana & Illinois railway have decided to consolidate under the above title.

There has been talk of the Grand Trunk striking for a Pacific Coast terminus, and railroad men think this may be a step towards that end.

Mrs. Muggins—My husband talks of nothing but civil service reform.

Mrs. Buggins—Well, it ought to be a good thing. Most of the girls that live out at service are uncivil enough, goodness knows.—Philadelphia Record.

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Victoria, B. C., December 6, 1901.

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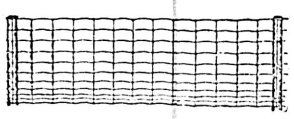

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Feb. 5, 1901.

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Seven Seamen Were Drowned

Derelict Bark Pinmore Towed in After Being Abandoned Off Coast.

Sailors Perished on the Way to Shore—Ernest Reyer Breaking Up.

The tale of disaster to shipping as a result of the recent gales has evidently not been fully told, for still distressed craft are coming in. Yesterday another derelict, which was almost a wreck, was towed in from the Washington coast, where she was picked up abandoned and lying with a list that it seemed that another blow would have caused her to turn turtle. She was the British bark Pinmore, 2,286 tons, Capt. Jamieson, which left Santa Rosalia on October 29 for Portland, in ballast, to load wheat for Europe. She was the four-master sighted by the steamer Maria near where the Ernest Reyer went ashore at the mouth of the Quinault river, and became a total wreck. The Pinmore, which is owned by Clink & Co., of Glasgow beat from November 26 to December 4, eight days, off the Columbia river bar, but could not get a tug. On December 4 she tried to make Gray's harbor, but adverse winds and current carried her by.

After becoming waterlogged, two anchors were thrown out and the bark abandoned, the crew starting ashore in two boats. The first boat gained the shore in safety, losing one man, who was sick at the start and died during the 16 hours of exposure in the open boat. The second boat overturned in the surf and lost six men.

The names of the men who were lost were: Henry White, Joseph White, Richard Draak, Patrick Prior and Harry Deven, who shipped from Cardiff; Carl Nilsonn, who shipped from Antwerp, and Stanley Shearer, an apprentice.

The surviving 23 members of the crew made their way to shore, going by land to Oyehut, and from there the tug Ranger conveyed them to Hoquiam.

The bark sprung a leak on November 26, and after beating about for a number of days trying to make an entrance into the Columbia, was finally driven north. Her ballast shifted, and that, with the water in her, gave her a list of 45 degrees. After flying signals of distress day and night, the condition of the vessel constantly becoming worse, the crew abandoned her on Wednesday night as she was nearing the surf at the mouth of Raft river, north of Grays harbor.

On Monday night the whistle of tugs was heard off Hoquiam, and two of these secured the derelict, which they yesterday towed to port. The operator at Otter Point sighted the disabled vessel yesterday morning in tow of one steamer, and with the other tug standing by, and about noon she was seen passing up to the other side of the Straits en route to Port Townsend. She was almost on her starboard beam, having such a heavy list that it seems a wonder she did not turn turtle durisg the late she did not turn turtle during the late and seemed to be in a generally crippled condition.

The French bark Ernest Reyer, which last week went ashore north of Grays harbor, is breaking up and will become a total wreck. Her crew is expected to reach Hoquian on Thursday.

The C. F. Sargent, the first of the distressed vessels to return, is to be towed to sea today, having been repaired and made seaworthy at Esquimalt. She has a cargo of 2,400 tons of coal, loaded at Tacoma for San Francisco. The Sargent is owned by the same firm as the lost Highland Light, which foundered off the West Coast during the storm. What with the loss of the Highland Light, heavy damage to the ship Nelson, stranding of the Ernest Reyer off Point Granville, 20 miles above Gray's harbor, and other marine casualties, the underwriters are suffering this winter as bad as they did last, and again, the heaviest losses are on ships bound to the Columbia river for seemingly some strange fatality seems to hoodoo craft bound there.

Last year the underwriters were hard hit by disasters to the grain fleet. It will be remembered that they were subjected to very heavy losses last November and December, through the disappearance of the British ships Andrada, Rathdown and Cape Wrath, and the German bark Bertha. Heavy losses were also suffered through the damages sustained by the Edmund, Otto Gildemeister and Willy Rickmers, all of which were compelled to undergo very expensive repairs. The outward-bound fleet in November and December also piled up some expensive insurance bills, two ships from the Columbia and two from Puget Sound putting into way ports in distress after leaving the port from which they cleared. If the Ernest Reyer is wrecked and if the Baroda is not floated, it will make a total of five ships chartered for Portland wheat loading which have been lost prior to arrival, and the Nelson and Pinmore have been badly damaged.

The Nymphe, whose loss was reported yesterday, was to have gone to Portland. The French bark Fervaal, while en route from Antwerp to Portland under charter for wheat loading, was lost off Cape Horn a few months ago, several of the crew perishing in the wreck. The third of these total losses in addition to the Baroda and the Ernest Reyer, was the British ship County of Haddington, which sailed from New York for Yokohama last February, and was never heard from afterward. The Baroda, which was erroneously reported afloat a few days ago, is still on the beach near Bandon, and has not improved her position or condition by the hammering she must have received during the recent gales.

Arrangements are under way to have the Baroda come to Victoria for repairs when floated, as did the ship Poltalloch, which was repaired here some months ago after being rescued from a similar position as that of the Baroda. Two other ships, the Glenmorag and Portimpus, which went ashore in the same manner, proved total losses.

MATTEAWAN OVERDUE.

Well Known Collier Nine Days Out From Nanaimo.

The collier Matteawan is long overdue at San Francisco from Nanaimo. A despatch from San Francisco under Tuesday's date says: "Up to tonight no word of the steamer Matteawan had been received at the Merchants' Exchange or by her managing owner, James Jerome. The Matteawan has been nine days out from Nanaimo for this port with a cargo of 4,800 tons of coal. Heretofore the vessel has usually made the trip in four days. Naturally great apprehension is felt for the safety of the steamer, though Jerome expressed the belief today that the vessel would arrive tomorrow, when it would be ascertained that she had either suffered a mishap to her machinery or had been delayed by towing some distressed vessel to port. Capt. Croseup, of Oakland, is master of the Matteawan."

PRINCE ALBERT SAFE.

Reported Off the English Coast—Reinsured at 75 Per Cent.

The Norwegian bark Prince Albert, which was so long ovedue on her voyage from this port to Queenstown with a lumber cargo, loaded at Vancouver, is safe, and there is joy among reinsurance gamblers for she was reinsured at 75 per cent. She was reported off the English coast. She was out 211 days when the news that she was sighted was cabled from London to Victoria shipping firms. She had been reinsured at 50 per cent. for two weeks past, and a few hours before she was reported the reinsurance had jumped to 75 per cent.

The Norwegian ship Anglia, 158 days out from Newcastle, Australia, for Panama, has been advanced 10 per cent., now being quoted at 80 per cent.

Two more overdues were added to the list on Tuesday. They are the German ship Glenericht, 10 days from San Francisco for Portland, 20 per cent. and the Alstrufer, 150 days out from Hamburg for Seattle, 10 per cent. Other overdues are the Renfield, 70 days out from Pisagua for Portland, quoted at 15 per cent., and the William Mitchell, 142 days out from Table Bay for Portland, 15 per cent.

THE JAPANESE LINE.

Earnings Amounted to Over Five and a Half Million Dollars in Six Months.

The semi-annual meeting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha was held at Yokohama on November 27, and the report showed that the earnings of the company during that time amounted to 11,791,285 yen, including subsidies of about two and a half million yen. The profits were 3,271,597 yen. The report stated in regard to the line running to Victoria and Seattle that "the liners on this line were increased to six steamers. The previous arrangement was changed and it was made a fortnightly service. On both outward and homeward voyages, the steamers on this line were appointed to call at Shanghai. The result of the change was satisfactory. On outward voyages, shipments from Kyoto, Nagoya and other places greatly increased, and so also did the cargoes carried between Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan. On homeward voyages, cargoes of flour from America decreased. But the cargoes carried by each liner both on the outward and homeward voyages considerably increased as compared with the previous business half year, but in consequence of the reduction in the freight rate, the receipts showed a falling-off as compared with the previous business half year."

MARINE NOTES.

An official communication received last evening from Monterey, California, states that H. M. S. Warspite arrived there on December 7. Consequently there was not the slightest reason for the alarmist rumors circulated about uneasiness felt concerning her in the storms of last week.

Ship Ballachulish will be towed to sea today.

Steamers Tees and Queen City are due.

Steamer Tees arrived at Vancouver last night with a small number of passengers. She reports very high tides in the North. Among her passengers were C.W.D. Clifford, M.P.P., and Professor Whittingdon. She will arrive here today.

Steamer Dirigo is on the dry dock at Vancouver, having broken her steering gear in Portier straits en route north.

The Otter left for Alberni yesterday on a special trip.

THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

Proposal by Australia for an Imperial Court of Appeal Shelved.

The London Daily Mail has the following from its Sydney correspondent: Mr. Chamberlain has informed Mr. Barton that the London conference upon the Appellate Court has resolved that appeals shall continue from the colonies to the Privy Council. The colonies will periodically make appointments to the judicial committee at ample salaries; if the appointed members are judges—and this condition is not necessary, they will be obliged to quit the judiciary. This arrangement will be necessary to ensure large attendances in the House of Lords on appeals. The colonies suggest with a view to the avoidance of delays, certain amendments in the regulations relating to appeals to the Privy Council. Mr. Justice Hodges, as representing Australia, has dissented herefrom, and proposed an entirely new court. Mr. Chamberlain concludes by saying that, on the whole, the existing system is satisfactory, and invites colonial suggestions as to details tending towards the simplicity of procedure. Mr. Justice Hodges, in his dissension, has followed the instructions of the federal government.

This decision, which is the result of the recent conference in London, clearly indicates two things: (1) That the attitude of Canada in this matter has carried the day; and (2) that the proposal for an Imperial Court of Appeal (to which Australia was well disposed) is for the time being shelved.

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New Lemon and Orange Peels, per lb	15c.	20 lbs Yellow Sugar	$1.00
New Citron Peels, per lb	20c	Manitoba Fresh Eggs, per doz	30c
New Shelled Almonds, per lb	40c	Manitoba Dairy Butter, per lb	20c
Mixed Candy, per lb., 10c., 12½c	15c	Manitoba Creamery Buttery, per lb	25c
Mixed Nuts, fresh, 20c. lb or 2 lbs. for	35c	Pure Lard, best make, per lb	16c
Snow Flake Flour	$1.00	Choice Cocoa Nut, per lb	25c
20 lbs Van. G. Sugar	$1.00		

HARDRESS CLARKE, 86 Douglas St., Victoria

Local News

Arrested for Theft.—Thomas Spain was arrested last evening by Detectives Palmer, Perdue and Macdonald and booked at the city lockup on the charge of stealing $81 from the proprietress of the International hotel on Johnson street. Spain resisted arrest, and it was with a great deal of difficulty that the detectives placed him behind the bars. It is alleged that he took the money from the safe in the hotel.

Business and Pleasure.—Columbia lodge, I. O. O. F., had a very interesting and well attended meeting last evening, the proposed alteration to the by-laws bringing out a number of old members who seldom attend lodge. The first business of importance was the initiation of a candidate, the team performing the ceremony in first-class style, much to the edification of the old-timers. The proposed change to the by-laws, which contemplated a return to the old system of paying cashing benefits only, elicited a warm discussion, and was defeated by only one vote, a two-thirds majority being necessary to its adoption. After adjournment, the members partook of an excellent oyster supper, prepared by the entertainment committee, which was followed by an exhibition of mind-reading by a brother gifted that way, and which proved a source of much amusement to the audience.

VICTORIA VS. GARRISON.

Number of New Players in the Soldiers' Association Team.

The Garrison Football club and the Victorias will meet for the second time this season, at the Caledonia grounds on Saturday. Since the last match between them, which resulted in a draw, a number of the Garrison team have left for China including Foley their outside left forward, but among the reinforcements which have recently arrived are included several players who it is stated will make the soldiers the strongest Garrison team which has played here.

The Victorias have an unbroken record this season, and with their strongest team they expect to give the Garrison a game which will be well worth witnessing.

WOULD COME HERE.

Proposition to Bring the Kamloops Hounds to This City During Winter.

Mr. E. Brocklehurst, of the Kamloops Hunt club, is in the city for the purpose of meeting the members of the Victoria Hunt club and discussing with them a proposition he made by letter. Kamloops has a small pack of fox hounds and a litter of puppies, which are used by the followers of the chase in the Inland Capital. The season closes in the interior very early, in fact there is already too much frost and snow to allow of the sport being indulged in. Mr. Brocklehurst proposes that after the season has closed in the Interior the hounds should be brought to Victoria and be used to follow a "drag." This would greatly increase the interest in the sport. In the Interior the dogs follow the coyote. A meeting of the Victoria Hunt club has been called for this evening to discuss Mr. Brocklehurst's proposition.

HERE AND THERE.

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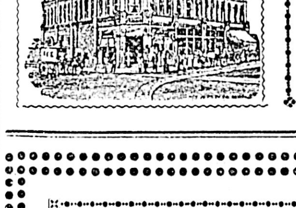

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LAST NIGHT'S MEETING.

The meeting to consider the Point Ellice bridge matter was large, and though there was a little dissent, the position taken by the Mayor was upheld in such a substantially unanimous manner that there can be no doubt as to the views of the citizens. The discussion was for the most part in good temper. Alderman Brydon occupied a great deal of the time, but he dealt in extenso with the specifications and was excusable. He left very little time to Messrs. Beckwith and Yates, and the former did not make a very judicious use of his, for he spoke chiefly on matters irrelevant to the real issue. He suffered for so doing at the hands of the audience, but we think he might well have been given a better hearing. The Mayor's reply was very much to the point. Alderman Brydon's statement of the case from his point of view unqualifiedly confirmed the attitude taken by the Colonist throughout, namely, that there was no real competition for the lack of definite plans and specifications. Perhaps we ought to refer to what Alderman Beckwith said about the Colonist and the Albion Iron Works. The Alderman more than insinuated that there was some understanding between the paper and the Albion people. He is quite in error. The Colonist had not the remotest idea what the Albion people intended to do, and advocated the wider bridge without suggestions from any on connected with that establishment. The Colonist feels fully justified by the action of the meeting in the course which it has taken, and has no unfriendly criticism to make of those who criticized it. On the contrary it is glad that its views and opinions have so prominent a place in the discussion of public matters of all kinds.

We congratulate Mayor Hayward on the strong endorsation which he has received.

A WESTERN POLICY.

It is with great satisfaction that we observe the step taken by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to bring about a conference between the governments of Canada, Australia and New Zealand, with the view of discussing trade, transportation and other intercolonial matters. Such a conference is almost absolutely certain to result in good and the shape that good will take will of necessity redound to the advantage of the Western frontier of the Dominion.

The action of the Premier indicates, we hope, that he has resolved to turn his eyes westward and see what can be done to the building up of Canadian commerce and industry in this direction. Considerable time must elapse before the conference can be held, and much more before its deliberations can be carried out practically, but a beginning has been made, and as a newspaper, which has urged the adoption by Canada of a vigorous Western Policy, we take this the first opportunity of expressing our hearty endorsation of the Premier's proposal.

The agitation for the transfer of the Intercolonial to the C. P. R. is chiefly confined to Halifax, which city does not like to see St. John the terminus of the transcontinental line.

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IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The concentration camps in South Africa are to be handed over to the control of the civil authorities. Eastern Cape Colony has been cleared of the Boers, and our columns are operating northward clearing the country along the Basutoland frontier. The chain of Blockhouses in the Transvaal has been pushed forward in a north and south line about two-thirds of the way from Pretoria to the Portuguese frontier. This means that the disturbed area in the new colonies is gradually being narrowed. There is a considerable force of Boers in the western part of Cape Colony, but their dispersal cannot now be a matter of a very long time. The Imperial government is said to propose shortly to place the people now in the concentration camps out upon farms in the pacified districts.

We epitomize these facts in this way for the purpose of showing the nature of the progress being made by the forces under the command of Lord Kitchener. There is nothing very spectacular about it, and the absence of features of this nature has given rise to much unfavorable comment abroad. Foreign papers talk about "the war" as though we were contending with organized governments and organized armies, and that at any day the tables might be turned upon us. As a matter of fact we are engaged in that always formidable task of reducing a conquered country and a hostile population to order. The world has not seen very much of this sort of thing recently, but every one familiar with history knows that it is always a work of great difficulty and attended with many delays and disappointments. A few instances may be cited. One of them is the very serious undertaking the United States has on hand in the Philippines. Others are afforded by the difficulties France encountered in Madagascar, Algeria and Tonquin. In these cases the conquering governments were contending against semi-barbarous people, not very well skilled in modern warfare and almost destitute of modern military appliances. On the other hand the Boers are of European stock. They are just as courageous fighters and just as proficient in the use of modern arms, of which they have a good supply, as the best trained army in Europe, and for guerilla work they probably have no superiors in the world. If the task of restoring order under such circumstances is tedious, surely no one need feel the least surprise.

Lord Kitchener's task is rendered more difficult by the fact that it is a part of his duty to protect and in a very large measure support non-combatants, as well as cope with an exceedingly mobile enemy in the field. In this respect his position is almost without precedent. A Napoleon would have laid waste the country and subjected the unfortunate inhabitants to all the unnameable horrors of war.

AN ISTHMIAN CANAL.

We had a despatch yesterday saying that the United States has secured from Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Salvador a perpetual lease of a strip of territory across which an isthmian canal can be constructed. It is not clear, however, that this settles the route of the Canal, for we take it that there will be only one and not two inter-oceanic waterways in that part of the world. The status of the Panama enteprise is such that it is a very formidable competitor to the Nicaraguan project. Indeed if it were not that that certain American citizens have been for some time interested in the latter, and that the people of that country had come in a measure to regard the national prestige to be in some way bound up in the completion of an undertaking by way of Nicaragua, no one would for a moment contemplate a waterway there, now that the feasibility of a route by way of Panama has been demonstrated.

The advantage in favor of the Panama route are several. In the first place it is shorter; next it is already partiallly constructed; next from a transportation point of view it is just as good as the route via Nicaragua, and next there is an excellent harbor at each terminus, which is not true of the other route. A Commission appointed by the Congress of the United States reported that the Panama route was shorter, cheaper and safer, and directed attention to the fact that the approach to the termini of the Nicaragua route can only be kept open by continuous dredging. The leading member of the Commission said it would be better to purchase the rights of the French company at Panama for $109,000,000, the price asked, and go on and complete the work, rather than undertake the Nicaragua project. The other Commissioners thought the price too high, so that the only question between them was not as to the desirability of acquiring the Panama enterprise, but the price that ought to be paid for it. M. Hutin, who represents French interests at Panama has called upon President Roosevelt and offered the undertaking for sale. The question is therefore in the open field of discussion, and there is no doubt that a bargain would readily be struck, if it were not for the prejudice above mentioned in favor of the Nicaragua project. The course before the United States is absolutely free from obstructions, unless some unreasonable public men raise them. Politically and in every other way, it would be better to acquire the Panama work and complete it, for if this is not done, and the Nicaraguan enterprise is carried through, there is a probability that France would feel in duty bound to come in some way to the rescue of her people who have put up the money for the work at Panama, and agree to assist in financing it through, which would surely lead to a dispute sooner or later with the United States.

In their report the United States Commissioners speak of the neutrality of the Canal, and we quote what they say, because it is substantially identical with what the Colonist said, when commenting upon the terms of the new treaty: "A canal, not neutral, to be defended by the United States, whether by fortifications on land or by the navy at sea, would be a source of weakness." This seems to us such an obvious proposition that we are amazed at the suggestion of opposition to the treaty from even such firebrands as Senator Morgan.

Our evening contemporary tells us that it is more likely that ores will be brought from the United States to be smelted in this country than that they will be taken from Canada to the United States to be smelted there. Let us admit this. Then may we ask our contemporary why it has attempted to decry the effort of the Colonist to secure from the Dominion government recognition of the importance of establishing a great smelting centre on Vancouver Island?

The report that the Grand Trunk Railway company is seeking Pacific Coast connection is of very great interest, although on their face the facts as stated in the despatch of yesterday do not indicate this. The Port Huron and Indiana and the Indiana and Illinois railways are only local lines. They might ultimately form part of a through system, and they are two of the few roads in the Middle West of the United States that have not already been corralled by the great combines.

If we had dreamed that the quotation of a line from "Crossing the Bar" would have led the Ladysmith Leader to devote rather more than a column to a discussion of what the very plain English of the hymn means, we should have forborne. It would be very pleasant to follow our contemporary in its interesting discussion, but in "this bourne" we have not "time and space" to do so. So the incident will have to remain closed, so far as the Colonist is concerned.

The Times charges that the Colonist says that it is the intention of Mr. Hill, of the Great Northern, to drain the province of its resources. The Colonist never said anything of the kind, nor anything that can by any twisting of language be made to mean anything of the kind. The Colonist hopes it knows a little more about the transportation business than to make such an absurd statement. It also hopes it knows a little more about the province than such an absurd statement would imply. It knows enough about the transportation business to understand that Mr. Hill is not engaged in railroading with any desire to hurt or help any locality, but that he is after traffic for his railway, and in getting that he has hitherto shown that he appreciates the wisdom of building up the industries of localities through which his rails run. It knows enough about the province to know that no man or no hundred men can drain this province of its resources.

"The Premier would probably have given up the fight long ago but for the promptings of those who are acting nominally in his behalf." This is what the Times says and the reference is to Mr. Dunsmuir. The endeavor of our contemporary is to create the impression that Mr. Dunsmuir has retained office against his own will, and that he would have resigned long ago, if it were not for the pressure of friends. This is not correct. Mr. Dunsmuir has retained office for the same reason that he accepted office, namely from a sense of public duty. It would not do any harm if the Times would take pattern by Mr. Bodwell, and in its discussion of political questions refrain from prying into matters about which it cannot in the very nature of things know anything, and at the same time give others credit for just a little of the same sense of public responsibility that it would doubtless claim for itself. Mr. Dunsmuir's position from a political point of view has been anything but agreeable during the last few months, but is that any reason why he should throw his office back upon the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor? We think not. We think that when the time comes when the events in local politics of the summer and fall of 1901 can be dispassionately considered, it will be found that Mr. Dunsmuir has honestly and courageously endeavored to discharge his public duty, and we also believe that his efforts will prove successful.

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MR. BODWELL'S COMMITTEE.

To the Editor.

Sir,—Taking into consideration your contention that numerous of those whose names appeared amongst the printed list as composing Mr. Bodwell's election committees, did not either authorize or desire that their names should be used in any manner as desiring Mr. Bodwell's candidature, I am led by a careful perusal of that list to believe that Mr. Frank Higgins was the inspiration of such an indiscriminate and unauthorized selection. My grounds for such contention takes me back to the famous meeting at Esquimalt on April 2nd, 1900, for the purpose of forming a Liberal Association, so called, for the purpose of electing delegates to attend the convention at Vancouver on the following Thursday, April 5th. The procedure followed then was that seven members nominated fifteen other delegates, irrespective of their political leanings or opinions. In fact, I may say that ten out of the fifteen were nominated by a Conservative, who most actively interested himself on behalf of Messrs. Prior and Earle the following November. The fact that I am informed that Mr. Frank Higgins took a prominent part in the formation of Mr. Bodwell's committees leads me to believe that he brought his unique experience gained in Esquimalt at above date into play at the Pioneer Hall meeting. I may say in proof of the statement that seven elected fifteen absent electors on that delegation in that on a straight vote between the Martinites and Antis, the vote was seven to four, and further, two of that seven refused nomination, including above mentioned Conservative and another. Hoping that this may shed some light and explanation of the method followed at the Pioneer Hall meetings.

J. S. ANNETT.

P. S.—I may further add that Mr. Frank Higgins assumed complete control of above mentioned meeting at Esquimalt.

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A New Blue Costume, skirt circular, flounce headed with three rows black satin, bands flounced, covered with spots, edged with black silk, jacket Eton, trimmed satin bands and spots similar to skirt, lined with heavy twilled silk. Regular $50—TODAY.....$30

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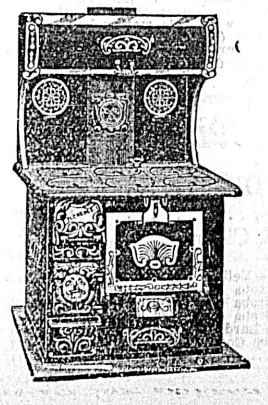

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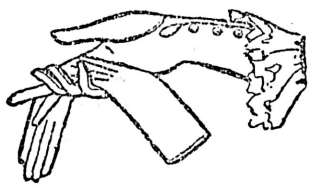

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Victoria Clearing House.—The totals of the Victoria clearing house for the week ending December 10 were $576,355; balances, $165,833.

School Term.—The Christmas term of the Collegiate school will close on Friday, December 13, when the prizes will be distributed by His Honor, the Lieutenant-Governor. Recitations, music and an English play, "Cool as a Cucumber," will be given by the boys. All old boys are cordially invited to be present.

Parlor Social.—The regular monthly parlor social of the Central W. C. T. U. will be held at the residence of Mrs. D. Spencer, Belleville street, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock. The most interesting feature of the meeting will be an address by Rev. J. G. Hastings. All members are requested to be present and any who feel an interest in temperance work will be welcome.

Claims Bonded.—The Richard N. group of claims on the Chemainus river, about 60 miles from where the smelter is to be erected at Osborne Bay, have been bonded by T. J. Rhinehart, representing an American company. Mr. Rhinehart has been on the Island for some time, and he has made a start in opening up the properties, which, he states, are showing up well. A body of ore, at least 50 feet wide, has been uncovered. It is of a high grade quality. Mr. Rhinehan is staying at the Dominion hotel. He has a collection of samples with him which he will take to Tacoma to show to those who are interested in the claims.

Round the World.—A visitor to Victoria yesterday was Mr. A. G. Baylis, an English manufacturer, who is traveling round the world and on his way has traversed the continent on Canadian soil, so as to see for himself the progress that the Dominion is making. Mr. Baylis is the head of the large firm of A. G. Baylis & Sons, Redditch, England, makers of needles, fish hooks, pins and kindred wares, and after visiting many countries and seeing for himself conditions of trade, he does not look doleful, but smiles pleasantly when speaking of the competition of the United States with the British manufacturer in the world's markets. The British manufacturer does not hire a brass band to celebrate the fact that he has made a sale, but John Bull is busy filling orders and extending his trade.

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Dance.—The Garrison dances will recommence on Friday, 13th December. *

Public Meeting.—This evening in the Board of Trade rooms a public meeting will be held to consider the question of the establishment of a naval reserve here.

Hawes-Jones.—Last evening Rev. W. Leslie Clay united in marriage Mr. George J. Hawes, mariner, and Miss Myrtle A. Jones, both of this city.

Funeral Tomorrow.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Raymond will take place on Friday afternoon at 2:30 from the family residence, Belleville street.

Blocked Traffic.—Some thoughtless person yesterday tied a cow on Point Ellice bridge, interfering with traffic. The police were notified and removed the animal, after it had been there a couple of hours.

Meet This Evening.—The Victoria West Football club meets this evening at the club's hall, Victoria West, and as there is business of importance to be discussed, a large attendance is requested.

New Officer.—Sergeant-Major Thomas and wife were passengers from Vancouver on Tuesday evening's Charmer. Sergeant-Major Thomas is one of the non-commissioned staff of No. 21 company, W. D., R. G. A., which arrived here a short time ago.

Annual Dinner.—The committee which is arranging for the annual dinner of the Sons of England, which takes place at the Victoria Cafe this evening, met last night to complete the arrangements. They look for a large attendance, as a large number of tickets have already been disposed of. Everything possible will be done to make this dinner the best yet held by the society.

Victorian Enlists.—Yesterday morning, Mrs. S. P. Tuck, of Roccabella, received a telegram from her husband, the sheriff of South Kootenay, stating that their second son, Edwin S. Tuck, had been accepted for the Nelson quota of the South African contingent. Ned Tuck was born in St. John, New Brunswick, but lived here since he was two years of age. He was educated at the public school here, and left for Nelson two years ago. He is 21 years of age.

Concert in the Gymnasium—The teachers wish to thank the following for their assistance in making the concert in the Pemberton gymnasium a success: The performers who so kindly contributed to the programme, the accompanists, Mr. E. H. Russell, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Walsh-Windle for their valuable services; Mr. Lombard for the loan of a Karn piano; the Times and Colonist for advertising the programme; and Messrs. Alexander and King for transferring the piano to and from the gymnasium.

Duty Reduced.—The Minister of Customs has varied the decision of Collector Milne in connection with the duty on the plans for the New Westminster bridge and those of the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company, for the proposed bridge at Point Ellice. The collector proposed to levy 20 per cent. duty on two and a half per cent. of the estimated cost of the work, for which the plans were prepared. The minister has instructed the collector to levy 20 per cent. on the actual value of the plans, that is, the amount it cost to produce them. This will make a big difference in the amount of the duty.

Scholars' Debate.—A very interesting debate between pupils from the Collegiate and High schools took place in the Pemberton gymnasium yesterday afternoon, the subject being: "Resolved that compulsory arbitration is the best manner in which to settle international disputes." The judges were Bishop Perrin and Rev. W. D. Barber. H. Marchant and H. Houston, of the High school, argued for the affirmative, and D. Potts and V. Harrison, of the Collegiate school, spoke in the negative. Both sides brought forward some very strong arguments, but the judges' decision was that the delivery of the High school speakers was superior to that of their opponents, while the matter of the Collegiate boys was better than the High school. The High school students were the more practised speakers. Rev. W. D. Barber said he was not convinced that arbitration was practicable. The High school had failed to prove that point. Rev. Mr. Barber paid a compliment to H. Marchant, of the High school, saying he showed marked talent as a speaker.

A DOCTOR APPRECIATED.

Affectionate Farewell Demonstration Tendered Doctor and Mrs. Gosnell.

Among Tuesday's arrivals from the Sound were Dr. J. C. Gosnell and Mrs. Gosnell. The doctor is a brother of R. E. Gosnell, secretary to the Premier, and comes to Victoria to spend the Christmas holidays with him and his mother, who resides here. Dr. Gosnell has been practising his profession at Ilwaco, Wash., for several years, and the Pacific Journal, of that town, has the following to say of his departure:

"There was a grand family gathering at Fraternity hall Monday evening. Ilwaco never does things by halves, especially when it comes to showing their appreciation for their friends. Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Gosnell, who have resided in Ilwaco for the past six years, are preparing to go East and will leave tomorrow. Every man, woman and child in Ilwaco loves them, and they merit this sentiment on the part of the public. During his stay here Dr. Gosnell has never failed to respond to the call of the humblest citizen, day or night, fair weather or storm, price or without price, in cases of sickness and distress. Mrs. Gosnell has proved herself the ideal physician's wife, and has been ever a companion with him at the bedside of the sick, and ministered those little necessities only within the power of woman. To part with them is like losing a near and dear relative by every person in this end of the county."

The paper then describes at length the evening's entertainment of music and farewell addresses, during which a beautiful oil painting was presented to the Doctor and Mrs. Gosnell.

After leaving Victoria Dr. Gosnell will go to Detroit, to visit relatives there, and will then proceed to New York and Berlin, where it is the Doctor's intention to take a post-graduate course. During their trip abroad it is their intention to visit Scotland, the home of their ancestors.

COUNTY COURT TODAY.

List of Cases for Trial—Lowenberg v. Dunsmuir Drawing to a Close.

In the Supreme court yesterday Mr. Justice Martin granted a motion to fix the date of proving the plaintiff's claim in Manley v. O'Brien, for Monday, February 17, subject to ratification by Mr. Justice Drake. Lawson for the plaintiff.

Following is a list of cases set down for hearing today:

Murray v. Mathew; Erskine et al v. Watt; Wildrick v. McGuire; Prior v. Burt et al; Mills v. Woley; Kwong Hing v. Shaw; Sayward v. Davies; Jackson v. Berkely; Houston v. Appleby; Ahiers v. Moody; Smith et al v. Vaselatos; Gareche v. Keefer; Dickinson v. Clay; British Columbia Agricultural Society v. Wilbrick. There are also several garnishee cases and judgment summonses.

The evidence in Lowenberg et al v. Dunsmuir was concluded on Tuesday, and yesterday was occupied with the addresses of counsel. Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, K. C., made an able address for the defence, and E. V. Bodwell, K.C., delivered a masterly speech for the plaintiffs. At the conclusion of Mr. Bodwell's address court adjourned till 10:30 o'clock this morning, when Mr. Justice Walkem will charge the jury.

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Mayor's Veto of Bridge Contract Enthusiastically Approved At Mass Meeting.

The "Solid Six" Accorded Warm But Far From Gratifying Reception.

One of the largest meetings ever gathered within the walls of the city hall was held last night to discuss the Point Ellice bridge contract. There were several ladies present, who listened to the proceedings with marked attention. A majority of the audience evidently attended with the idea of having all the amusement possible, and sarcastic remarks, hisses, cheers and catcalls were frequent. It seemed manifest from early in the evening that the meeting was strongly in favor of the Mayor's action in vetoing the awarding of the bridge contract, and although the representatives of the "solid six" were listened to with commendable patience, it was easy to see that their explanations fell far short of satisfying those present as to the wisdom or justice of their course.

A resolution approving the Mayor's veto was carried by an overwh ing majority.

Mayor Hayward said he deemed it his duty, as mayor, to take the chair. Later on he would take occasion to address the meeting, and would then ask some other gentleman to preside. The meeting had been called, in accordance with a resolution of the council, to discuss the Point Ellice bridge contract. He suggested that a secretary be appointed.

Mr. G. A. Stewart Potts was unanimously chosen secretary.

Ex-Mayor Redfern moved that speakers be limited to 15 minutes.

Ald. Yates moved in amendment that the aldermen who undertook to explain the plans should be given half an hour and the other speakers 20 minutes.

Mr. Redfern withdrew his motion and Mr. Yates' proposal was defeated.

Mr. McCandless moved that the six aldermen be given an hour and a half, and that the Mayor and the other four aldermen be given one hour. This was carried.

Ald. Brydon was the first speaker. He went into a lengthy explanation of the bridge plans. He said he would show them that, contrary to statements which had been freely made, there were plans and specifications prepared by the city. He first pointed out the original tracings from which the blue prints shown to tenderers had been made. He read from the specifications to show that the proposals laid down therein were as full and specific as was necessary. The Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company had agreed to purchase all supplies in Victoria and employ local labor. The specifications were based on data supplied by Theodore Cooper, one of the first bridge engineers in America. The work was to be completed in four months from the day of beginning. Without reflecting on the ability of Mr. Topp, who had proved himself a most competent man (applause) he pointed out that it was usual and a great advantage to the city to have tenderers submit their own ideas, so that the city might have the advantage of the latest improvements. The book of instructions issued by the Hamilton Bridge company was referred to to show the principal points on which they required information to enable them to tender for a bridge. The bridge, according to the specification, was called for to carry a continuous string of 30 ton electric cars, and a passenger load of 100 pounds per square foot, all this in addition to the dead weight of flooring, etc.

Mr. Brydon continued to read extracts from the specifications, to show that no detail of construction had been overlooked. The plans submitted by the P. S. B. & D. Co., conformed with the specifications. A great deal had been said about keeping the money at home. Of the whole cost $85,000 for steel must go to Pittsburg, the balance, about $55,000, would be spent in Victoria for labor and material.

The Mayor—Where are the profits? (Laughter.)

Mr. Brydon—I don't know anything about profits. I'm not working for any corporation but for Victoria. (Applause.)

He compared the accepted tender with that of the Albion Iron Works which provided for wooden flooring, and was for $147,000.

The speaker was frequently interrupted, and he said he could easily understand the attitude of the audience towards him. They had been misinformed by the city press. No newspaper man had taken the trouble to go into the question with the city engineer. He doubted if the Mayor had taken that trouble.

The Mayor—You will find that out presently. (Laughter.)

The speaker then indignantly denied the insinuation that the aldermen had been bribed or in anyway influenced in awarding the contract.

A Voice—What about the Hamilton tender?

It was received too late. It was mailed too late, and the motion that it be not opened was passed without a dissenting voice.

The Mayor—That is not correct.

Ald. Kinsman—That is not true.

The speaker concluded by declaring that he had served the city honestly and faithfully.

George Jeeves attempted to address the meeting, but was loudly interrupted. He pointed out, when silence was restored, that the contract called for stone abutments, but that the P. S. B. & D. Co. were putting in concrete.

Ald. Beckwith wished to explain the real facts to the people. His action and that of his colleagues had been conscientious, and honest. Could the city afford to be without the bridge any longer? All were unanimous in a desire to have a bridge that would afford proper traffic accommodation between the city and Esquimalt. The Street Railway company's manager had told him that they would have to discontinue the service if the old bridge was allowed to remain there. Four tenders had been received. The Montreal company required nine months, the Cleveland company would not finish before next August, the Albion Iron Works could not specify a time, while the P. S. B. & D. Co. undertook to complete the work in four months. He thought it deplorable that international ill-feeling should be engendered by this affair.

R. Hall, M. P. P.—None of that talk.

Ald Beckwith, continuing, said that all were at liberty to hold the opinion that the work should be done by Canadians, but if United States contractors were asked to tender they should be treated fairly. He had acted all through the affair to the best of his ability and honestly, in the interest of the city, and not for any private company. The Colonist had stated that there had been no proper plans prepared. He emphatically denied this. Mr. Topp had drawn up plans and specifications under instructions from the Mayor and council.

The Mayor—No, no.

Ald. Beckwith—I say yes. The tenders received were made on those plans and specifications.

The Mayor—No.

Ald. Beckwith—I say, emphatically, yes.

The speaker then outlined the history of bridge negotiations between the tramway company and the city. The company had agreed to contribute 25 per cent. of the cost of the bridge up to $80,000, and they had conferred with and assisted the council in coming to a decision. Some property owners above the bridge had demanded a swing, which would have cost an additional $25,000. A plan was submitted to the Dominion government and approved. Then plans and specifications were prepared and tenders called for. During the next few months there were a number of editorials in the Colonist about the bridge, to read which one would think the council had given the matter no consideration. They had though, very carefully considered it, and they decided that a 34 foot bridge was what was needed. He believed the Albion Iron Works tender for a wider bridge was a prearranged affair with the Colonist which had been endeavoring to educate public opinion up to the point of a 50 foot bridge. (Decisive applause.)

He then undertook to read the Times account of the proceedings of the meeting at which the tenders were opened, the chairman insisting that the speaker should read the report in full instead of only the portions which suited himself. Finally he read a paragraph in which the Mayor had stated that it would be a grave mistake to throw out the Hamilton company's tender. (Applause.)

The Mayor had made the astounding statement that there were no plans.

The Mayor—I say so now.

Ald. Beckwith. If there were no competitive plans what was the use of opening the Hamilton or any tender.

There were many interruptions at this point, several in the audience hurling questions at Ald. Beckwith, and the chairman, for a time vainly, tried to restore order.

Ald. Beckwith read from the rules of order in an attempt to prove that the Mayor had supported the motion rejecting the Hamilton tender tacitly by refraining from voting.

Regarding the veto, the speaker said there was nothing to show that the city had lost by the council's not opening the Eastern tender, and that the Mayor had vetoed an act to which he was himself a party.

Cries of, "Shut up." "Sit down."

Instead of vetoing the contract the Mayor should have called a meeting and explained matters to the people. He proceeded to insinuate that the Mayor had used the city funds too freely and was greeted with hisses—Several bills had been presented to the finance committee during the year which had been contracted by the Mayor, and which the committee had not passed. One of these was a bill from the Colonist for printing in connection with the Loan by-laws. He concluded by another attack on the editor of the Colonist.

Mr. Alex. Wilson asked if Mr. Seabrook had complained of the specifications to Mr. Topp.

Ald. Beckwith—Mr. Topp told Mr. Seabrook that he would require the services of an engineer if he wished to tender.

Mr. Wilson—Why didn't the council have proper plans and specifications prepared in the first place? (Applause.)

Ald. Beckwith endeavored to reply amid an uproar, one voice shouting above the din if he didn't travel on the street railway on a pass.

Ald. Yates was next called upon. He began by complimenting the Times on an editorial paragraph in regard to the meeting, which he read.

A Voice—Did you write that? (Laughter.)

The spirit of forbearance expressed in that paragraph was the spirit in which he approached his subject, and which pervaded "the solid six." Ald. Brydon had explained the plans and Ald. Beckwith explained other matters, he would tell them why the Hamilton tender had not been opened. The tenders were to be opened on the 11th. The company telegraphed that they had mailed their tender on the 6th.

The council thought it could arrive here in time. Inquiry at the post office elicited the fact that if the letter was mailed on the morning of the 6th it would reach here on the 11th but if in the afternoon it would not arrive till the 12th. These facts were laid before the council, and they determined to abide by the letter of the law, and open only such tenders as were received in time. When the tenders were opened the Albion Iron Works presented a supplementary tender, and they might as well have opened that as the Hamilton one which arrived too late.

Mr. Yates then went on to argue that the Mayor's veto was not absolute, but might be appealed from. The aldermen had withheld their right to carry the resolution granting the contract over the Mayor's veto, they took the course of calling a public meeting so that the people might understand the situation thoroughly. They were anxious that the validity of the veto should be left to the decision of a judge of the Supreme court. If the Mayor was right, a tremendous power was vested in him which might work to the damage of the city, and it was most important that the question should be settled once for all. (Applause.)

Senator Templeman then took the chair and Mayor Hayward addressed the meeting.

The point which he wished to make was that there had been no competition and the proof of it was that none of the tenders conformed to the plans made by Mr. Topp. The plan shown them by Ald. Brydon and lettered "City Design No. 2," which Mr. Brydon had told them was a copy of the tracing, was in fact prepared that afternoon in the city engineer's office by an employee of the P. S. B. & D. Co. (Laughter.) Pointing next to the tracings the Mayor called attention to the fact that no foundations of any kind were shown.

At a meeting of the bridges, sewers and streets committee it was resolved that tenders be called for on specified plans and others on designs furnished by the tenderers. He had compared the specification with Theodore Cooper's formulas, and discovered that there was no provision in them for a foundation, nothing to show the character of the material required, or the height of piers or dimensions. No tenderer could find out what was required or expected, it might be stone, pipe iron or boiler plate. No abutments, no sidewalks and no filling were shown on the city engineer's plans. The plan of the superstructure was equally unsatisfactory. All that the tenderers could do was to make plans for themselves and tender accordingly, and it was impossible that there should be any competition. There was no flooring, no hand rail, nothing as to quality of the tramway track. He was willing to take his portion of the blame, if a mistake had been made. Mr. Topp should have asked the council to allow him to get assistance and have proper plans prepared. It could not be expected of Mr. Topp that he should be a bridge expert.

He pointed out a plan of the swing span of Ebburne bridge, furnished to tenderers, from which any intelligent mechanic could tender. Fancy two men in Toronto attempting to figure out a tender on the meagre information which Ald. Brydon and the rest of the "solid six" said was quite sufficient! They would be obliged to make plans of their own. The city had had one experience of that kind in the old Point Ellice bridge, which was built by the San Francisco Bridge company, on plans of their own, and it had no desire for a repetition of it.

His Worship continued in a humorous strain to describe the probable action of tenderers at a distance who might combine to furnish pretty designs which would prove to be shoddy and costly when put in practical use. There was absolutely nothing before them to show that the P. S. B. & D. Co.'s tender was not $10,000 or $20,000 too high.

He vetoed the resolution of council in the best interests of the city and to the best of his judgment, and he left the people to endorse his action at the elections next month. (Prolonged applause.)

Senator Macdonald wished to know what the Mayor proposed to do to get over the difficulty. It was very desirable that the bridge should be built without further delay and by home industry. Perhaps the meeting would express an opinion as to what should be done.

The Mayor replied that he had proposed that the council reconsider the whole matter, have new and specific plans prepared and call for new tenders; but his proposal had been rejected by the gentlemen calling themselves the "solid six."

Mr Fowler, president of the P. S. B. & D. Co., asked leave to say a few words. He said he wished to make certain explanations. He had blushed on hearing himself and his company alluded to as Yankees. He was an American and all in the room were Americans. One of his ancestors had been knighted in the field of battle by Richard Coeur d'Lion. His chief engineer and most of his foremen were Canadians or Englishmen. He heard yesterday that their plans had been seized by the customs authorities. It was for that reason that he had made the plan posted up on the wall. He hoped the meeting would not blame Mr. Topp for giving them the use of his office; it was a matter of courtesy, only one of many which they had received from the city engineer.

He held that from Mr. Topp's plan and specification any engineer could tender for the bridge. As to the foundation, Mr. Topp was perfectly right in not specifying the foundations, for a great many things had to be considered in that connection. Suppose granite were specified, it might turn out that the foundation would cost more than the whole sum voted for the bridge, and so with other material, it was all a question of natural conditions. His company had intended to give the city the best bridge possible for the money, and he regretted that there had been any unpleasantness. He thanked the meeting for their attention and took his seat amid applause.

Ald. Cameron said it had been suggested that a motion should be put to approve the Mayor's action. If such was the desire, he suggested that it be put at once, before the audience began to disperse.

Mr. Richard Hall, M. P. P., came forward and Ald. Brydon at the same moment claimed the privilege of replying. This the meeting vociferously declined to permit, and Mr. Brydon was forced to retire.

Mr. Hall was received with cheers. He requested Senator Templeman to take the chair and he then moved:

"That the action of the Mayor in vetoing the resolution of a majority of the council in awarding the contract for the Point Ellice bridge to the P. S. B. & D. Co. be sustained by the voters of Victoria here assembled."

He considered the action of the council as unbusinesslike and unpatriotic. He had no feeling against the P. S. B. & D. Co. as foreigners, he was a Yankee born himself, and proud of the fact. It was in his opinion the Hamilton Bridge company that had been unfairly treated. He did not agree with those who claimed that the bridge must be replaced at once. There was ample time to call for new tenders and meantime the centre span could be braced and strengthened.

Mr. Alex. Wilson seconded the resolution. He felt convinced that the Mayor had acted in the best interests of the city, and he strongly approved the proposal that competitive plans be prepared and new tenders be invited.

Ald. Kinsman wished to explain his position.—(Cries—You're all right.)—He contradicted the statement of Ald. Brydon that the resolution which threw out the Hamilton tender was carried unanimously. He and Ald. Cameron had voted against it. He was fully in accord with the Mayor in the action which His Worship had taken.

Ald. Cameron was again called upon. He only wished to say that he had supported the action of the Mayor and he had opposed the awarding of the contract to the P. S. B. & D. Co. consistently all through. He had no antipathy against that firm or any other United States institution, but he reminded those present that at a large meeting held about a year ago a resolution had been unanimously adopted that the work on Point Ellice bridge should be done by home labor, and by day work. If the council had acted on that resolution they would not have given the contract to a foreign company. Even as it was he believed they should have added the saving clause, "the lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted," that would have saved them from being forced into accepting the only tender which had been considered.

Ald. Stewart said he wished to say that the engineer had secured all the available information and summarized it in the plans and specifications. The foundations were to have been built by day labor under the supervision of the city engineer. He paid a very high compliment to Mr. Topp's ability. He taxed the Mayor with only finding out all these faults within the last two weeks.

"Well," said Ald. Stewart, "what a nice lot of fools we must be."

Voices—"You are! you are!"

He insisted that the plans gave every facility for competition. If it was his own money he was spending he would do exactly what he had done. (Derisive cheers.)

Senator Templeman then put the resolution, which was carried by an immense majority, in the show of hands not over a dozen being raised against it.

The meeting then adjourned.

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Report From the Secretary in Connection With the Ball.

There was a large and representative gathering at the regular meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, which took place on Tuesday. Those present were: Mrs. A. J. Smith, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. C. E. Redfern, Mrs. Gerhard Tiarks, Mrs. Fleet Robertson, Mrs. Charles Rhodes, Mrs. Albert Griffiths, Mrs. C. J. Spratt, Mrs. Foster Barham, Mrs. W. Broderick, Mrs. C. S. Baxter, Mrs. Stadthagen, Mrs. Thomas Lee, Mrs. W. Dalby, Mrs. Machin, Mrs. Hasell, Miss Georgina Potts and Miss Amy Angus.

The secretary's report was called for and read, as follows:

Madam President and Ladies: I beg to lay before you today a statement of the receipts and expenditures in connection with the late ball and children's Cinderella. After all expenses are paid there remains a balance at your disposal amounting to $620, which I trust will meet with your approval. I think there are special reasons for congratulation over this result, considering that numerous friends were unable to attend this year, either through illness, absence or other good and sufficient reasons. It is indeed a happiness to find that, though the personal presence of each absentee is regretted and missed, the public support is so generous, that the event does not suffer financially in consequence.

Thanks are due to the following ladies for undertaking to sell tickets: Mrs. A. J. Smith, Mrs. Rocke Robertson, Mrs. (Col.) Grant, Mrs. C. Rhodes, Mrs. H. D. Helmcken, Mrs. A. Griffiths, Mrs. Broderick, Mrs. Gore, Mrs. R. Jones, Mrs. G. Courtney, Mrs. Hasell, Miss P. S. H. Pemberton, Miss Walbran, Miss Prior, Miss McMicking, Miss Amy Angus, Miss Nellie Lugrin, Miss Verna Heisterman, Miss Storey, Miss Dolly Sehl, Miss Jessie Wolley, Miss Annie Harvey and Miss Hattie Ross; also to Messrs. Redfern, Challoner & Mitchell, the Victoria Book & Stationery company, Hibben, and Fletcher, for similar assistance; to the ball committee and to the Daughters of Pity, for help in the decorations, and to the latter society for a donation of two dozen plants, afterwards presented to the hospital; to Mrs. Burton, the Misses Pemberton, Prior, Bickford-Wilson and Vernon, for beautifully arranged corners; to the following ladies, who volunteered service in the supper room: Mrs. C. S. Baxter, Mrs. M. J. Appleby, Mrs. Sedjewick, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Hasell and the Misses Colins, Becker, Brooker, Austin Hiscock Sylvester, Gilchrist, Mawdsly, Sherwood, Woodrowe and Love; to Miss Gladys Green and Miss Daisy Langley, for service at the refreshment buffet, and to Mrs. Blackmore, for kindly attending to the tea and coffee on both evenings; and to Mr. Cuyler Holland, Mr. H. D. Helmcken, Mr. Joshua Davies, Dr. Llewllyn Jones, Dr. Hermann Robertson, Dr. P. B. Handyside, R. N., Dr. E. S. Hasell, Mr. C. H. Arundell, Mr. Henry Dalby, Mr. Phil. Austin and Mr. K. Wollaston, for general assistance and help on the occasion. Donations in cash were gratefully received from Mrs. (Col.) Grant, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. Dunsmuir, Mrs. Prior, Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. R. E. Brett and Mrs. Heisterman.

Further contributions towards the supper are acknowledged, with many thanks, from Mrs. Henry Clay, Mrs. M. R. Smith, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Davies, the London & Vancouver bakery, Mr. Hartnagle, Messrs. Thorpe & Morley, Cold Storage, Messrs. Erskine, Wall & Co., Rither & Co., Stemler & Earle, Hudson Bay Co., Wilson Bros., Pither & Leiser, Simon Leiser, Fell & Co., Stewart & Co., Mr. Rogers and the New England bakery; also to the latter for cooking the large donation of poultry sent in by the ladies of Metchosin; to Mr. Herbert Kent, for piano; to Messrs. Weiler, for the loan of rugs and mirrors; to Mrs. E. G. Tilton, for completely refurnishing the lights throughout the hall with her shades; to the Electric Light company and Mr. Hinton for discount to the decoration committee; city, for the loan of numerous lanterns; and to Messrs. Campbell and Morison, for toilet articles. Thanks are also due to Commander Garnous Williams, H. M. S. Warspite, for kindly arranging for the loan of flags, and the assistance of Mr. Vince and bluejackets, who most ably accomplished the work of draping the main hall.

In connection with the children's Cinderella, Most grateful thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kent, Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Milton Douglas, for materially assisting in the pleasure of the children, and in securing for them a successful entertainment.

With regard to the general work of the society, I beg to say that the ambulating chair, donated by Mr. Homfreys, has at last arrived, and will be in use at the hospital immediately. In connection with the freight and duty for the same, I have a very kind letter from Mr. Butter, in which he remits to this society $4.25 on the the cost of these.

The matron thanks the Women's auxiliary for work done by Mrs. Marsh during the past two month, which includes curtains, men's dressing gowns, flannel night gows and a great deal of repairing, and she asks for two dozen pairs of warm felt slippers, and four dozen ward bags, as soon as possible, and a dozen night dresses, 12 dozen sheets, 2 dozen pillow cases, 12 dozen draw-sheets, as soon as the work committee commence operations after the Christmas holidays. Work has also been received from Mrs. Potts and Mrs. Eric McKay.

In connection with Christmastide, and at the request of Dr. Hasell, I am directed to ask you to postpone the Christmas tree this year until the children's ward is built. This ward will probably provide fitting quarters for an entertainment of the kind, but now the hospital keeps so full that it is impossible to spend upon the use of a ward, and there is no other room of satisfactory dimensions for the purpose. This prohibition, however, need not affect our devoted every possible loving attention to the hospital and its inmates, during the Christmas season, and I am sure that none who are interested in the work there, and who realize how much very kindness is appreciated, will forget to contribute some small token of love and remembrance to those who are so confined that they must keep their Christmastide apart from church and family joys.

I have the pleasure to announce that I have received a check from the secretary of the kermiss committee for $6230, being the half proceeds of the late kermiss, voted by its promoters toward the furnishing of the children's ward, Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

M. B. HASELL, Sec.-Treas.
S. DALBY, Ass't Sec.

This report was very fully discussed. The ball accounts were passed and approved unanimously, and the thanks of the executive voted to all those ladies and gentlemen who so ably assisted in making the balls such a brilliant success.

The meeting concurred with the resident medical officer concerning the postponement of a Christmas tree this year, but voted a sum of $25 towards providing Christmas delicacies at the hospital, Mrs. A. J. Smith and Mrs. Dalby being appointed to ascertain and procure whatever would be most acceptable.

The money contributed towards the working fund of the Women's Auxiliary by the lawyers has been devoted to the purchase of a large stock of blankets, amounting in all to $139. This has been done in deference to the wish expressed by these gentlemen, that some definite comfort be procured with their donation.

The work committee decided to reunite and commence operations on the second Friday in the New Year, and to devote Friday afternoons to this purpose until Easter.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The treasurer's report for the first half of the working year, commencing June 30th, 1901:

Working Fund, Women's Auxiliary.

Bal. in bank June 30th		$ 100 16
Membership fees paid at annual meeting		24 00
Membership fees received from Miss Stewart		50 00
Fees paid up to date to Secretary or canvassers		34 00
Per Mrs. Homfrey (special for chair)		50 00
Per Arion Club		146 00
Per Lawyers' Baseball team		117 45
Per Mr. J. H. Turner		51 75
Per Garden Party (special for sterilizer)		200 00
Total		$773 36
Paid by cheque up to date	$349 40	
Paid by cash up to date	38 00	
Voted Christmas	25 00	
Put aside for sterilizer	200 00	
	$657 40	

RECEIPTS.

Receipts	$773 36
Expenditure	657 40
Balance in hand	$115 96

This account does not include other moneys.

Received and banked, with the special funds for the children's ward and the Queen Victoria memorial ward, all of which will be duly published in the report next spring.

No visiting committees were appointed this month, as it is hoped that many, both of the Women's Auxiliary and of the Daughters of Pity will visit the hospital during the Christmas season, and with hearty good wishes for a happy and blessed Christmas, the meeting adjourned until Tuesday, January 28, 1902.

SCHOOL BOARD.

Question as to Who Are to Place the Newly Appointed Teachers.

A point was brought up at the meeting of the school trustees last night on which the trustees seemed likely to be divided had they discussed the question. This was a clause in the rules and regulations under the school laws by which the city superintendent was empowered to place teachers appointed to the different positions. Some of the trustees held that the teachers should be placed by them, and the secretary was instructed to write to the Minister of Education for his interpretation of this clause of Article 17.

Applications for the principalship of North Ward school were received from Wm. Wisby and J. A. M. Campbell, now acting principal. With the exception of Mr. Robson who declined, the recently appointed teachers wrote accepting positions. Miss Sprague was appointed in the stead of Mr. Robson, at $540 a year.

Spring Ridge and North Ward schools invited the trustees to their closing exercises on Friday next. Mr. Bainbridge, a globe trotter, wrote for permission to visit the schools with a view to giving an entertainment.

The finance committee recommended payment of $573.77 for current accounts.

The matter of repairs to the schools during the holidays was referred to the buildings and grounds committee for report.

MANITOBA CROPS.

Bulletin of Yield Issued by Agricultural Department.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—The provincial department of agriculture has issued a bulletin compiled from returns received from its regular correspondents up to December 1st, dealing with the past season's crops and dairy products. The summary reads as follows:

Product.	Total Yield Bushels.	Acres in Crop.	Average Yield.
Wheat	50,502,085	2,011,083	25.1
Oats	27,796,588	680,951	40.3
Barley	6,526,155	191,000	34.2
Flax	266,420	20,976	12.7
Rye	62,261	2,707	23
Peas	16,349	879	18.6
Potatoes	4,797,433	24,429	196
Roots	2,925,362	10,214	286
Butter.	Pounds.		Value.
Dairy	2,748,090		$395,440 82
Creamery	2,460,650		442,425 87
Cheese, factory	1,039,392		88,448 32

Live stock in province—Horses, 142,080; cattle, 263,163; sheep, 22,960; pigs, 94,680.

VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of December, 1901.

Issued by the tidal survey branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.3 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

The time used is Pacific standard for the 120 meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

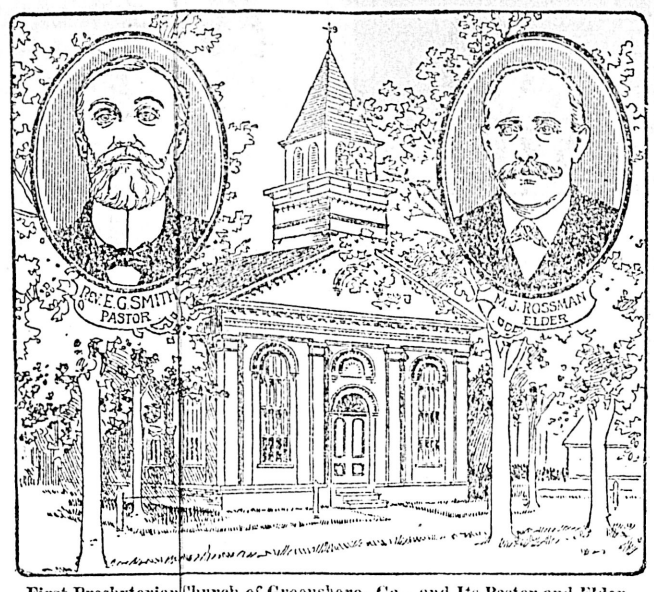
Date.	Day.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.	Time.	Height.
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	S	0 19	1.5	8 32	8.2	14 00	6.5	16 52	6.7
2	M.	1 05	2.4	8 59	8.2	16 09	5.7	19 18	5.9
3	Tu	1 55	3.4	9 24	8.2	17 32	4.8	21 46	5.5
4	W	.....		2 49	4.3	9 47	8.3	18 04	4.0
5	Th	0 30	5.6	3 42	5.2	10 08	8.4	18 34	3.3
6	F	2 04	6.1	4 30	5.9	10 30	8.5	19 03	2.8
7	Sa	3 24	6.6	5 14	6.5	10 54	8.6	19 31	2.4
8	S	4 32	7.0	5 56	6.9	11 22	8.7	19 58	2.0
9	M	5 34	7.4	6 39	7.3	11 51	8.7	20 26	1.8
10	Tu	6 26	7.7	7.24	7.7	12 18	8.7	20 56	1.5
11	W	7 07	7.9	8 10	7.8	12 44	8.7	21 28	1.3
12	Th	7 36	8.0	8 57	7.9	13 10	8.6	22 03	1.3
13	F	7 58	8.0	9 45	7.9	13 37	8.5	22 40	1.4
14	Sa	8 12	7.9	10 38	7.8	14 06	8.2	23 19	1.7
15	S.	8 14	7.8	11 50	7.6	14 37	7.8	23 59	2.1
16	M	8 08	7.9	13 10	7.2	15 12	7.2	.....	
17	Tu	0 41	2.8	8 21	8.0	.....		.....	
18	W	1 26	3.6	8 42	8.2	16 28	5.4	20 44	5.7
19	Th	2 15	4.4	9 11	8.0	16 57	4.3	23 04	5.7
20	F.	.....		3 08	5.2	9 44	8.9	17 31	3.2
21	Sa	1 23	6.2	4 00	6.0	10 19	9.4	18 10	2.2
22	S.	3 00	6.8	4 51	6.7	10 56	9.7	18 53	1.2
23	M.	3 54	7.4	5 46	7.2	11 35	9.9	19 38	0.6
24	Tu	4 42	7.8	6 51	7.6	12 16	10.0	20 21	0.2
25	W.	5 23	8.1	8 00	7.8	12 59	9.8	21 03	0.1
26	Th	5 56	8.3	9 06	7.7	13 45	9.4	21 44	0.3
27	F.	6 22	8.4	10 03	7.4	14 35	8.9	22 26	0.8
28	Sa	6 41	8.4	11 05	7.0	12 29	8.2	23 09	1.5
29	S.	6 56	8.4	12 09	6.6	16 27	7.4	23 51	2.4
30	M.	7 13	8.4	13 24	6.0	17 40	6.5	.....	
31	Tu	0 32	3.4	7 35	8.5	15 09	5.4	19 39	5.8

PLAYING GOLF.

A young Highland laddie
Went down by the dune;
Behind him walked his caddie.
And loud sang a tune;
"A plaid ye may wear,
A tam ye may doff,
Ye'll nae be a Scotchman
Unless ye play golf."
—From the "Kids of Many Colors."

An English tar paid off at Malta, having only a day in which to spend the money before his ship left port, hired forty rowing boats, formed them into a procession, and seating himself comfortably in the stern of the last boat, he had himself and his forty boats rowed round his ship, much to the amusement of his comrades. After making the tour several times, Jack paid the boat hire and then returned to duty, evidently well satisfied.

PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR PRAISES PE-RU-NA.



First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro, Ga., and Its Pastor and Elder.

THE day was when men of prominence hesitated to give their testimonials to proprietary medicines for publication. This remains true today of most proprietary medicines. But Peruna has become so justly famous, its merits are known to so many people of high and low stations, that no one hesitates to see his name in print recommending Peruna.

A dignified representative of the Presbyterian church in the person of Rev. E. G. Smith does not hesitate to state publicly that he has used Peruna in his family and found it cured when other remedies failed.

Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Greensboro, Ga., writes:

"Having used Peruna in my family for some time it gives me pleasure to testify to its true worth. My little boy seven years of age had been suffering for some time with catarrh of the lower bowels. *Other remedies had failed, but after taking two bottles of Peruna the trouble almost entirely disappeared.* For this special malady I consider it well nigh a specific. As a tonic for weak and worn out people it has few or no equals."—REV. E. G. SMITH.

Mr. M. J. Rossman, a prominent merchant of Greensboro, Ga., and an elder in the Presbyterian church of that place, writes:

"For a long time I was troubled with catarrh of the kidneys and tried many remedies, all of which gave me no relief. Peruna was recommended to me by several friends, and after using a few bottles I am pleased to say that the long looked for relief was found and I am now enjoying better health than I have for years. It is certainly a grand medicine."—M. J. Rossman.

Hon. S. D. McEnery, United States Senator from Louisiana, says the following in regard to Peruna:

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

Gentlemen—Peruna is an excellent tonic. I have used it sufficiently to say that I believe it to be all that you claim for it.—S. D. McEnery.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of the Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

Peruna can be obtained for $1.00 a bottle at all first-class drug stores in Canada.

"The Ills of Life," which can be secured at all up-to-date drug stores, and upon request is sent free to all, gives a short description of all catarrhal diseases. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio, U. S. A.

Lost Vitality!

I HAVE CURED ABOUT 49,000 MEN LIKE YOU, AND I CAN CURE YOU.

You are a broken man as a result of living a reckless, fast life; your errors of youth and dissipation in manhood have drained the vital force from your body; your manly vigor is slowly oozing away. Before you are forty life will have lost all its pleasures for you unless you stop the drain now.

I will stop it and renew the vigor of youth. My Electric Belt with special Electric Sack Suspensory will convey new life to your body, check the loss of vigor, renew all your old strength and make you a man among men. You need

Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt.

My Belt cannot fail. I give each case special advice, and with my powerful Belt a cure is guaranteed. Reach this:—

Dr. McLaughlin—Dear Sir: I have worn one of your Electric Belts and it has given me complete satisfaction, restoring me to complete health and strength.
Thornhill, Ont., October 22, 1901. A. E. MURPHY.

Any man or woman who will secure me can have my appliance and pay when cured. I ask no pay in advance.

Are you sick? Are you in pain? Are you a Weak Man? Are you tired of doctoring and paying out money without result? Then come to me or write to me. I AM THE ONLY MAN IN THE WORLD WHO HAS CONFIDENCE ENOUGH IN HIS REMEDY TO WAIT FOR HIS PAY UNTIL YOU ARE CURED.

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Time Table No 43.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 26th, 1901.

Northbound. Leave.	Daily A.M.	Southbound Arrive. P.M.	Northbound. Leave.	Sat. & Su. P.M.	Southbound Arrive. P.M.
Victoria	9.0	12.06 A.M.	Victoria	3.00	6.52
Goldstream	9.3	11.38	Goldstream	3.28	6.24
Shawnigan Lake	10.1	10.46	Shawnigan Lake	4.20	5.32
Cobble Hill	10.3	10.29	Cobble Hill	4.33	5.19
Duncans	11.0	10.02	Duncans	5.00	4.49
Chemainus	11.3	9.30	Chemainus	5.32	4.17
	P.M.				
Nanaimo	12.0	8.15	Nanaimo	6.41	3.00
Ar. Wellington	1.00 Lv.	8.00	Ar. Wellington	6.55	Lv. 2.54

Excursion rates in eff

The following is one of the many letters received at

WILBY'S TOY STORE

Deer Santa Claus: I would like some of the following presents for Chrismas. I saw you at the Golden Rule Bazzar last year and I 'spose you are there yet: A big rubber gas-ball, two monkeys having a see-saw, a horse on little wheels, a big big fire engine, a wheelbarrow, a trumpet, a bagpipe, a bugle, a nice big picture book, a bicycle with three wheels, a big sailing boat that goes in the water, a kite, a mouth organ, a drum, a tool set, an steam engine, a pair of stilts, a box of blocks and a nice big big pop-gun that shoots out a cork.

Papa says he wishes Santa Claus would bring him a few dollars.

JACKIE.

Santa Clause's Reply:

Dear Jackie, your letter will have my best attention. I have all the toys and many more. Tell your papa money is scarce, but toys are plentiful. If you watch you will see me about Christmas at my regular address Wilby's Toy Store, Douglas street.

SANTA CLAUS.

WM. WILBY,

91 Douglas Street.

QUOTATIONS OF RETAIL MARKET

Advance in the Price of Butter—Other Changes Noted.

Retail dealers report a good week's business. The holiday trade is in full swing, all the stores are displaying their brightest and choicest wares, and the clerks are being kept busy every hour of the day attending to the wants of thousands of buyers. There are few changes to note in prices. Butter has advanced to 40 cents for choice, in consequence of the output of the local creameries being somewhat curtailed. The price of raisins has increased one cent a pound. Japanese oranges are plentiful and are in the best of condition.

The retail prices prevailing this week are as follows:

Wheat, per ton	$30
Corn, whole, per ton	$38
Corn, cracked	$40
Oats, per ton	$25
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs	40
Rolled oats, B. & K., per lb	4
Rolled oats, B. & K. per 7-lb sack	30
Feed—	
Hay, baled, per ton	13@14
Straw, per bale	75
Middlings, per ton	$24 to $26
Bran, per ton	$22 to $24
Ground feed, per ton	$26
Vegetables—	
Cabbage, per head	2 @ 3
Cauliflower, per head	5 @10
Onions, per lb.	3
Carrots, per lb	1½@ 3
Beet root, per lb	3
Lettuce, per head	5
Turnips, per lb.	1½@ 3
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per doz	60
Eggs (store), per doz.	25@30
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb	20
Butter—	
Cowichan creamery, per lb	40
Fresh Island butter	30
Victoria creamery, per lb	40
Delta creamery, per lb	40
Best dairy, per lb	25
Fruits—	
Cocoanuts, each	10@15
Lemons, California, per doz	25
Lemons, small, per doz.	20@25
Apples, per lb	5 @ 6
Naval oranges, per doz	30@50
Japanese oranges, per box	50
California figs (black), 4 lbs	25
California figs (white), 3 lbs	25
Currants, per lb	12½
Pears, per lb	4 @ 5
Raisins, per lb	12½
Mixed peel, per lb	20
Sultanas, per lb	20
Poultry—	
Dressed fowl, each	60@75
Dressed turkeys, per lb	25
Fish—	
Salmon	10@12½
Cod, per lb	6 @ 8
Halibut, per lb	8 @10
Halibut, frozen	8
Herrings, fresh	5
Flounders	6 @ 8
Crabs, three for	25
Bloaters	10
Kippers	12½
Salt mackerel, each	15
Salt cod, per lb	10
Salt tongues and sounds, per lb.	20
Salt Holland herring, per keg	$1.50
Salt salmon, each	25
Meats—	
Beef, choice, live weight, per lb.	4 @ 5
Lamb, spring, fore quarters, each	$1
Lamb, hind quarters	$1.25 to $1.50
Lamb, cut up, per lb	12½ to 20
Lipton's bacon	24
Lipton's ham	20
Veal	11@18
Hams, Canadian, per lb	18
Hams, American, per lb	18
Bacon, Canadian, per lb	20
Bacon, American, per lb	20
Bacon, rolled	16
Bacon, long clear	15
Beef, per lb	8 @18
Mutton	8 @18
Pork, per lb	10@15
Venison	6 @ 8
Grouse, brace	$1.00

MONUMENT TO BURNS.

Toronto Citizens Committee Have Ordered Bronze Statue Cast.

The committee of Toronto citizens who have for some time been collecting funds for the erection of a statue of Robert Burns in Toronto, have ordered that a bronze statue be cast for the model submitted by Mr. D. W. Stevenson, R.S.A., of Edinburgh. The poet is shown in the costume of a small moorland farmer of the time, with his plaid over his shoulder. The sculpture has given to Burns a thoughtful, almost sad, cast of countenance. That his habitual frame of mind was contemplative seems certain, despite his magnificent flights of lark-like melody. The statue will, it is expected, be unveiled some time next summer. The site has not yet been chosen, but the spot most favored by the members of the committee is one in the Horticultural Gardens, near the corner of Carlton and Sherbourne streets.

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PERSONALS.

P. L. Simpson, Nanaimo, is at the Victoria.

L. A. Fowler, Syracuse, is staying at the Dominion.

H. C. Killeen, Revelstoke, is a guest at the Balmoral.

G. T. Porter, Vancouver, is at the Victoria.

H. Teller, Point Roberts, is staying at the Dominion.

E. J. Poole, Port Townsend, is at the Victoria.

D. L. Gray, Mission City, is a guest at the Dominion.

F. Wilson, Vancouver, is at the Balmoral.

J. Davidson and wife, Vancouver, are staying at the Dominion.

J. Spofford, a Vancouver commercial man, is a guest at the Victoria.

J. Cathcart, Chemainus, is at the Victoria.

W. F. and H. F. Bullen returned from the Sound yesterday.

H. J. Scott, manager of the Hamilton Powder company, returned last night from the Mainland.

C. Wentworth Sarel of the Vancouver Trade Budget is in the city.

C. B. Sword, fisheries inspector, is a guest at the New England.

A. H. B. Macgowan registered at the Driard last night.

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Majestic from the Sound: Pat. Nunan, Dan Ross, J. E. Moore, Mrs. Schmidt, Geo. Leonard and wife, J. A. Sayward, H. M. Goss, Mrs. Goss, E. R. Place, E. H. Hesstedder, Jno. Place.

Passengers per steamer Rosalie from the Sound: J. P. Baldwin, Jos. E. Dixon, W. D. Lawshe, C. E. Fowler, W. Nelson, W. F. Bullen, H. F. Bullen, Dr. Gosnell, Mrs. Gosnell, Mrs. H. Smith, Miss M. Mayer, Miss Mayer, D. Bland, J. W. Holman, W. J. Barnes, G. Bionchine, Mrs. Bionchine, T. B. Lewis, Master Holmboe, H. Dresser, A. Simmons, F. McLean, W. G. Hinton, P. Kirkman, W. Clark, J. Sophia.

Consignees per steamer Rosalie from the Sound: Lenz & Leiser, Victoria Lumber & Mfg Co., Valo & Brooks, W. Jameson, Hudson Bay Co., R. W. Clark, Watson & McGregor, Geo. F. Munro & Co, A. S. Lent, Armer & Weinskenk.

Passengers per steamer Charmer from Vancouver: Mr. Hulbert, J. F. Hellwell, J. N. Germaine and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Champion, J. A. Davidson and wife, Will Harris, Mrs. W. H. Campbell, F. B. McMaster, G. T. Porter, Jno. Gillis, H. J. Scott, J. T. Spofford, A. H. B. Macgowan, C. Wentworth Sarel, W. Bell, Jno. Garden, T. Boyd, W. V. Miller, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Black, F. Perdue, W. A. Clarke, C. B. Sword, Rev. Mr. Atwood and wife, C. Stelo, W. K. Noble, J. Gray, E. Brocklehurst.

CONSIGNEES.

Consignees per steamer Majestic from the Sound: Patton & Son, John Tollich, Walter Strange, Fletcher Bros.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, 4th to 10th December, 1901.

With the exception of the last day the weather during the week has been remarkably overcast, and rain has fallen each day. There have been no gales in this vicinity, though along the Oregon and Washington coasts on Saturday the 7th, the wind reached the force of a moderate gale from the southward. There has been during this period a tendency for the ocean low areas to travel down the coast to California, where they have caused heavy and almost constant rains, while over Northern British Columbia the barometer has been comparatively high and the temperature low, reaching a minimum of zero on the 10th.

On Saturday the 7th these conditions were altered, when an ocean low barometer area moved quickly across Vancouver Island and the interior to the Territories. It caused a rainfall of over one inch on the lower Mainland, a half an inch at Victoria and light snow in Cariboo.

From this day to the close of the week the barometer steadily rose over Northern British Columbia in advance of a pronounced high area and cold wave from the Northwest, which by Tuesday the 10th, covered the Dominion from the Pacific to the great lakes, and caused fine weather and northerly winds extending southward over the Pacific slope to California. In the Territories it has caused a light snowfall, followed by temperatures not much above zero.

Victoria—Amount of bright sunshine recorded was 17 hours and 18 minutes; rainfall, 1.14 inch; highest temperature, 49.2, on 7th, and lowest, 39.4, on 5th.

New Westminster—Rain, 1.74 inch; highest temperature, 48, on 4th, and lowest, 32, on 10th.

Kamloops—No precipitation; highest temperatures, 46 on 4th, and lowest, 26 on 9th and 10th.

Barkerville—Snow, one inch; highest temperature, 34, on 4th, lowest, zero, on 10th.

Summary of weather for November, 1901.

	Rainfall in Inches.
Victoria, V. I.	6.64
Beaver Lake, V. I.	8.55
Duncans, V. I.	11.05
French Creek, V. I.	6.58
Nanaimo, V. I.	7.06
Goldstream, V. I.	14.83
Alberni, V. I.	17.78
Kuper Island	9.76
Saturna Island	5.38
Vancouver	14.06
Point Atkinson	8.85
New Westminster	11.98
Garry Point	7.00
Coquitlam	12.86
Kamloops	1.23
Chilliwack	13.74

At Victoria 43 hours and 36 minutes of bright sunshine were recorded, the mean proportion for the month (0.15) being below the average. Highest temperature, 63.1 on 28th, and lowest, 40.0 on 9th and 10th. Mean temperature for month, 48.20. The total number of miles recorded on the anemograph was 5,751, and the direction was as follows:

North, 880; northeast, 308; east, 1,016; southeast, 1,359; south, 434; southwest, 991; west, 693; northwest, 70.

Alberni—Mean temperature, 44.2; highest, 57, on 28th, 33.9 on 1st, 2nd and 18th.

Garry Point—Mean temperature, 45.0; highest, 55.0 on 14th and 27th.

Alberni, mean temperature, 44.2; highest, 571 on 28th; lowest, 33.9 on 1st, 2nd and 18th.

Garry Point, mean temperature, 45.0; highest, 55.0 on 14th and 27th; lowest, 33.0 on 2nd, 10th, 18th.

New Westminster, mean temperature, 44.8; highest, 55.5 on 27th; lowest 33.8 on 18th.

Vancouver, highest 56.9 on 15th, lowest, 31.0 on 17th.

Duncans, highest 57.0 on 8th, 9th, lowest, 25.0 on 25th

French Creek, highest, 58.0 on 5th; lowest, 40.0 on 2nd,, 3rd, 4th.

Kamloops, mean temperature, 40.3; highest, 53.7 on 27th; lowest, 26.0 on 2nd.

Nanaimo, highest, 59.5 on 28th; lowest, 31.9 on 2nd.

Chilliwack, highest, 56.0 on 5th; lowest, 32.0 on 8th.

Number of hours bright sunshine at Nanaimo, 40 hours 18 minutes.

What is your occupation? asked the attorney.

I haven't any, the witness answered. I work in a boiler factory.

Well, don't you call that an occupation?

No sir. I call that a job.—Chicago Record Herald.

Walter, I find I have just enough money to pay for the dinner, but I have nothing in the way of a tip for yourself.

Let me add up the bill again, sir.—Moonshine.

Markley—No; I don't like Borroughs.

Parkley—Why, I understood you to say you thought a great deal of him.

Markley—No; I merely think of him a great deal. He owes me money.

Lentz is a suburbanite, now, I believe.

O! no.

Why, he told me he took a house in the country last week.

Huh! he merely took it with his camera.

When you meet a man with a scheme, proceed to get in a hurry.

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TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	34	42
New Westminster	26	38
Kamloops	24	26
Barkerville	10	10
Calgary	16	24
Winnipeg	4	18
Portland, Ore.	36	42
San Francisco	46	54

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific time), Thursday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, continued fine today and Friday, with frosts at night.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, continued fair today and Friday, with frosts at night.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a. m., noon and 5 p. m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 11.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	34	Mean	37
Noon	40	Highest	42
5 p.m.	39	Lowest	33

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. ....8 miles north.
Noon ....4 miles north.
5 p.m. ....Calm.

Average state of weather—Fine.
Sunshine—5 hours 12 minutes.
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.420
Corrected 30.451

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected 30.44

LICENSING BOARD.

Petition for Cancellation of St. George's Inn License Considered.

The board of licensing commissioners, consisting of Mayor Hayward, Ald. Hall and Mr. T. B. Hall, held their regular quarterly meeting yesterday morning. Interest in the sitting was increased by reason of a petition being in asking that the licence for the St. George's inn on the Esquimalt road, be cancelled. This was a result of the investigation made by the police commissioners in respect to this house. A number of witnesses were exam'ned yesterday, all complaining of the presence of the house, but admitting that it had improved since the place had changed hands. The matter will be taken up again on Friday afternoon, and in the meantime the application for a transfer of the license from Mrs. Rhodes to Messrs. Roblin and Crombie stands over. One of those who signed the petition for the cancellation of the license wrote asking that his name be removed from the petition, as the house was now an orderly place.

Other applications considered and granted were:

International hotel, Johnson street, for transfer from B. C. Land & Investment Agency to Margaret Johnson.

Grotto, Trounce alley, from S. O'Brien to Alfred P. Briggs and Seth Chamberlain.

Brown Jug, corner Fort and Government streets, from Steve O'Brien to Messrs. Meldram and Maloney.

Bodega, corner Douglas and View streets, transfer from S. H. Roblin to Margaret White.

IN POLICE CIRCLES.

Number of Cases Disposed of Yesterday—More for This Morning.

Business is picking up in police circles, that is, there are a lot of small cases to be dealt with. Yesterday a drunk was fined $2.50, and this was the only case which came before the magistrate to be finally dealt with. John Farmer, arrested for stealing a rubber coat from in front of the Mammoth clothing store on Saturday night, had his case remanded until this morning. The case of R. McPhadden, charged with assaulting G. A. Pike, also went over until this morning. There has been a difference between the two men for some time, and McPhadden, it is alleged, having a grievance against Pike, struck him.

For today there are a number of cases, including that of two sailors charged with fighting. Otto Holstrom, mate, and F. Hicks, seaman, of a ship loading lumber at Ladysmith, had trouble during the voyage of the ship, and decided to settle it when they got ashore. Yesterday they came down on the E. & N. train together, and as soon as they landed started to settle the difference. The police interfered, and both were locked up. Holstrom was released on giving $25 cash bail. A drunk was also gathered in yesterday, and two vags and four Chinamen, for the usual infraction of the wash house by-law, have been summoned.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Major Bond of Montreal Loses His Life in Fire.

Montreal papers of December 5 contain lengthy accounts of the death of Major E. L. Bond, who lost his life in the destruction of his summer house by fire at Phillipsburg, Que., on December 7. He had gone to Phillipsburg for the day, on business, being president of the Phillipsburg railway, and went to his summer residence to sleep. The house caught fire and was destroyed during the night, and Major Bond's remains were found in the ruins. Deceased was a son of Archbishop Bond of Montreal, and was very prominent in insurance and temperance work.

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Petition Is Dismissed

Decision of Mr. Justice Martin In the Westminster Election Case.

The Petition, He Holds, Was Filed Too Late to Be Considered.

Mr. Justice Martin yesterday gave judgment dismissing the petition against the election to the provincial legislature from New Westminster, of Mr. Gifford, on the ground that the petition was filed too late. The judgment follows:

"The question now to be determined is: Was the petition presented within 21 days after the return was made, as required by S. S. (2) of sec. 214 of the Provincial Elections act? It will be noted that the language is "after the return," not after the day on which the return was made, and it is contended on the one hand that the petitioner had the whole of the day on which the return was made and 21 days thereafter within which to make presentation, while on the other hand it is urged that under the circumstances, and according to the best meaning of the act, fractions of the day must be considered, and that the time began to run against the petitioner immediately after the return was in fact made. From the evidence I find that the return was made to the Deputy Provincial Secretary on Saturday, September 21 last, not later than 9:30 a. m., and the petition was presented to the registrar of this court about noon on Saturday, October 12. Sec. 27 S. S. (3) of the Provincial Elections Act Amendment act, 1899, requires the presentation to be made at the office of the registrar "during office hours." Now the return having been made at half past nine on September 21, I am of opinion that there is nothing in said section 214 to prevent a petition being presented at the earliest possible time thereafter, i. e., when the registry of this court opened at 10 o'clock that same morning; the only restriction in the statute is that the presentation must be after the return, not, as I have above pointed out, after the day on which the return was made. Such being the case, what the petitioner has to establish is that in the computation of the 21 days, he is entitled to exclude the first day on which it was possible for him to have made the presentation.

"Many cases have been decided on the computation of time, but it would not be profitable to discuss them because the point has been decided by the Court of Appeal in re North ex parte Hasluck (1895) 2 Q. B., 264, wherein the rule is laid down by Lord Esher as follows: "No general rule exists for the computation of time either under the Bankruptcy act or any other statute, or, indeed where time is mentioned in a contract, and the natural mode of computation is to have regard in each case to the purpose for which the computation is to be made. . . . If they (the older decisions) or any of them, laid down any general rule as to the mode of computing time that rule has been departed from in recent times, and no longer exists." And Lord Justice A. L. Smith states, at p. 272, each case must depend on its own circumstances and subject matter." . . . . Lord Justice Rigby takes the same view and adds, p. 274, "In my opinion, although Sir William Grant did not put the proposition in so many words, his judgment leads us to the conclusion that the question of whether the day on which the act is done is to be included or excluded must depend on whether it is to the benefit or disadvantage of the person primarily interested."

Here, the "person primarily interested" is undoubtedly the member who has been returned and whose seat is attacked, and it was not disputed on the argument that the policy of the law has been to construe the act in favor of such member where it can reasonably be done, and to hold the petitioner strictly to the statute—Collins vs. Ross (1891) 7 Man. 581; 20 S. C., 1; Duval vs. Maxwell (1901) 8 B. C. 65, affirmed by the Supreme court, but not yet reported. As was said by Mr. Justice Grave in Williams vs. Mayor of Tenby (1879) 5 C. P. D., 135, at 137—"The meaning of the enactment is that the petition shall "not be kept long hanging over the heads of persons elected . . . ." "The present objection is consequently not one of that technical nature which I had to consider in Stoddart vs. Prentice (1898) 7 B. C., 498, but one which goes to the root of the whole matter; i. e., the time within which the statute permits the seat of a member to be attacked.

I have been referred by the petitioner's counsel to the article on "Time" Vol. XII. Enc. Laws Eng., but I do not find effect had been there given to the judgments in re North supra, and further, there is at least as good, if not better, ground for holding this case to be one of the "exceptions" given as for so holding any of the cases there cited. Take for example King vs. Adderley (1780) 2 Doug. 463, wherein Lord Mansfield said that in the case of Bellasis vs. Hester (17 . . . .) 1 Ld. Ray 280, "it is laid down by the majority of the court that where the computation is to be made from an act done . . . . the day when such act was done is to be included." This case was followed in Castle vs. Burditt (1790) 2 Term 623. It would appear from the brief note of the case of Thomas vs. Quirk (1889) S. C. R., 695, that fractions of a day were considered in deciding the question of a renewal of a chattel mortgage, even though it was decided before in re North.

If the court can inquire at what period of the day a writ was issued—Clarke vs. Bradlaugh (1881) 8 Q. B. D., 63—it is open to it "where the circumstances and subject matter" suggest it as a "rational and mode of computation," to take account of fractions of a day, and I am of the opinion that is what should be done in the present case. If I were to accept the petitioner's contention the fact would be that he would be given 22, and not merely 21, days to present his petition. But, to adopt Lord Justice Rigby's language in he North, "Why am I to be driven to say, contrary to the fact" that he waited only 21 days before presenting it?

From the authorities above cited the respondent is entitled to the benefit of any rational construction, and in my opinion the objection that the petition was presented too late must prevail, and it is hereby dismissed with costs.

(Signed), ARCHER MARTIN, J.

December 11, 1901.

Mr. A. E. McPhillips, K. C. and Mr. L. P. Duff, K. C., of counsel for the respondent; Mr. Joseph Martin, K. C., of counsel for the petitioner.

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Fishing Industry For Hardy Bay

Company to Establish Fishing and Freezing Plant at Northern Port.

Expected That Large Market Will Be Worked Up For Frozen Fish.

A company has been formed in Victoria capitalized at $50,000, in shares of $1.00, under the name of "Hardy Ba[y] Fishing & Trading company," to car[ry] on a general fishing and trading indu[s]try, at Hardy Bay on the northeast coa[st] of Vancouver island. The company w[ill] establish a freezing plant for halib[ut,] salmon, herring and cod and will al[so] smoke and salt fish as well as ship fresh if market offers. A wharf w[ill] be constructed fronting the townsite [lo]cated at the northern port, where the[re] is a good navigable and sheltered harb[or.]

The prospectus of the new compa[ny] to be published during this week, [will] say regarding the situation of the n[ew] industry: "Apart from its being [one] of the most convenient localities ... being in close proximity to the ... notable halibut banks, the port of Ha[rdy] Bay must by force of its natural p[osi]tion become the greatest receiving [and] despatching port for the Alas[kan,] Yukon, British Columbia and P[uget] Sound trade, becoming linked, as it [can]not fail to be at no distant date [with] all the great railway systems of Canada and the United States. H[ardy] Bay is the contemplated terminus o[f the] Island railway, being the only [deep] water harbor at the north end of [Van]couver island."

H. J. Bray, who for 30 years has [been] engaged in the fish business—25 yea[rs on] the eastern coast and latterly o[n the] Pacific Coast—has been appointed [...] manager of the company. The com[pany] will not be confined to any special [fish]ing limits, or any particular kind o[f ...]. The catching of halibut, which c[an be] done in a radius of 30 miles, for [ship]ment in ice, will, however, be a l[arge] feature of the industry. Herrin[g in] abundance can be dealt with fo[r ...] but bait or for the general marke[t, and] salmon of many kinds are plentif[ul and] could be handled profitably. The ... settlement of Indians near the B[ay ...] would be willing to fish for the co[mpany.]

As the prospectus will point [out, the] markets for the fish are unlimited [...] is large demand for fresh hal[ibut] in New York, Chicago, Boston, as [well] as throughout Canada. Honolulu a[nd Aus]tralia also offer increasing dem[and] for fish of various kinds, and fish [in c]old storage can be placed on the [mar]ket in any Canadian city as far as Montreal in car load lots for [...] ... while the selling price is 12 c[ents] and similar figures apply to New Y[ork] and Boston. The company expect t[o spe]nd about $25,000 in the establish[ment] of their plant at Hardy Bay.

THE BITER BITTEN

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The magistrate, in consideration of the circumstances, enlarged the accused on bail till Friday, 13th instant, and meantime the matter will be laid before the Attorney-General, who will, it is confidently expected, take the most lenient view of the case—that it was simply a foolish attempt to throw ridicule upon the efficiency of the caretaker of the magazine.

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Intending tenderers upon application at any of the above named offices may obtain, upon payment of ten ($10) dollars, copies of drawings and specifications for either substructure or superstructure, or twenty ($20) dollars for both.

Each tender must be made out on the form supplied, and must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada or National Bank of the United States, made payable to the undersigned, or by gold, in the sum of five thousand ($5,000) dollars, which will be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so.

The cheques or cash deposit, as the case may be, of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned when contract is awarded.

The agreement on the form of tender to furnish a bond for $50,000, or equivalent satisfactory security, for the due fulfilment of the work, must be signed by the tenderer and his sureties.

The Department is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Land and Works.
Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 2nd November, 1901.

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